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**NO JUDGE
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THE Commonwealth Prime Ministers will have a great deal to occupy their time and thoughts when they meet this week, not the least of which will be the highly explosive question of South Africa.

Some Commonwealth leaders have already made their positions clear that any attempt to have a formal debate will be met with strong opposition.

There is no stated agenda and while it is generally accepted that the matter will receive informal attention, the Malaysian Prime Minister, Tengku Abdul Rahman, set off with the firm intention of demanding direct talks.

Taken line

SOUTH Africa has taken the line that it will not tolerate any interference in its domestic affairs and it is reported that the Prime Minister's deputy will walk out if there is an attempt to question the country's actions.

It therefore seems that there might be early ruptures and it will require a great deal of statesmanship on the part of the Chairman, Mr. Macmillan, and the other Prime Ministers to avoid a showdown.

Nothing will be gained by excluding South Africa as a member of the "Club." Demands for outright expulsion or even formally debating the unfortunate incidents will only lead to creating a situation which cannot be retrieved.

Independent

THE Commonwealth nations are independent insofar as they do not have to answer to any other member however much one may deplore the attitude of a Government which does not follow the generally accepted line of conduct.

It should be remembered that there are no Club rules and therefore there can be no committee of inquiry.

The Canadian Premier, Mr. Diefenbaker, has pointed out that "the spirit of the Commonwealth denies that the Prime Ministers Conference should become, in effect, a judge and jury of the actions of other members of the Commonwealth."

With the exception of a few Commonwealth countries the others take little interest in membership as a whole unless they require something as individuals.

Unreasonable

IT is unreasonable to try and formulate a course of action in all matters without the common consent of all parties. This has never been the policy, nor has it ever been attempted.

If the South African delegate is forced to withdraw from the conference he might be inclined to try a few parting and telling shots in the direction of India, Pakistan and Ceylon.

This, too, would be most unfortunate, but by creating a precedent of interference in internal affairs there is a possibility that such interference will backfire with disastrous results.

Sequel to fatal traffic accident in Queen's Road MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL OPENS

Crown Counsel outlines case against Fleming

The trial of a European businessman on a charge of manslaughter began before Mr Justice W. A. Blair-Kerr, and a jury of five men and two women in the Supreme Court this morning.

Marcel Noel Fleming, 29, of 28 Shouson Hill Road is alleged to have caused the death of Police Inspector Si Wai-ming in an accident in Queen's Road Central near Duddell Street on the night of February 3. Mrs Si was seriously injured in the same accident.

The Solicitor General, Mr. Arthur Hooton, Q.C., in outlining the case for the Crown said that on the night of February 3 Insp. Si and his wife went to the Chinese Club in the Bank of China Building for the evening. They stayed until after midnight. When they left they went into Des Voeux Road and then turned up Ice House Street towards Queen's Road.

At the junction of Queen's Road they crossed the pedestrian crossing over Ice House Street and then started to diagonally cross Queen's Road towards Duddell Street.

"Inspector Si was on the left. When they were almost across the road they were struck down by a fast-moving vehicle. The evidence will show they were mown down by a car which did not stop."

"Inspector Si died. He had a fractured skull, a broken thigh, broken ribs and other cuts and bruises—mainly on the left side."

"Mrs Si was seriously injured but she has now recovered and will be giving evidence in this court," Mr Hooton said.

"It is alleged by the prosecution that Fleming was the driver of the car which ran into them."

"He is charged with manslaughter because evidence will be given to show that he was driving with reckless 'wanton disregard for the safety of other road users'."

Mr Hooton said that Fleming worked for a company in the Colony which owns a grey-green Morris Minor station-wagon which two people had authority to drive—the managing director and the accused.

"On the night of the accident Fleming was driving the station wagon."

He said that Fleming left his home at Shouson Hill at about 7 p.m. and drove off in the car.

"What he was doing between 7 p.m. and midnight we have been unable to discover."

cover but after midnight there were three separate accidents — a collision between a car and a taxi at the bottom of Garden Road; the fatal accident in Queen's Road; and an accident between a car and a bus on Pokfulam Road between the University and Queen Mary Hospital.

Accident No. 1: A taxi coming down Garden Road stopped in the outer lane at the junction with Queen's Road. The driver heard a bump at the back and a car which appeared to be driven by a European passed the taxi on the left side and turned left along Queen's Road.

Accident No. 2: The fatal accident in Queen's Road. Mr Hooton said that "in an insurance claim prepared by the owner of Morris Minor station-wagon XX4240, on details given by Fleming it said that the car was damaged in an accident which occurred in Queen's Road near Duddell Street."

"At 12.30 a.m. the street lights were on and there was a constable on duty in the Government building nearby. The road was dry — there had been no rain."

No skid marks "Evidence will be given that there were no skid marks on the road showing that the driver of the accident car had not braked with any force to avoid an accident."

"The driver of a car coming along Queen's Road has an uninterrupted vision for almost 200 yards to the place where Inspector and Mrs Si were crossing the road."

"The two people were struck when they were near Duddell Street and the impact was of very great force indeed. The injuries they sustained were many and serious."

"There was a curved convex bruise above Inspector Si's eyebrows and evidence will be given that this injury was caused by the car's front end."

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Looking for a wedding present



Mr. Antony Armstrong-Jones, 30, the former court photographer who marries Princess Margaret on Friday, is watched by a small crowd, mostly women, as he leaves the London Silver Vaults in Chancery Lane after a short visit last week. He visited two of the shops in the underground street, then left without buying anything.—AP Photo.

MARGARET AND TONY PLAIN MR AND MRS ON WEDDING DAY

London, May 1.

Antony Armstrong-Jones is now virtually certain to remain a plain "Mister" on his wedding day.

And the only new title that Princess Margaret will acquire next Friday seems to be a simple "Mrs."

With the publication of the approved sovereign wedding programme this week, it became clear that the commoner-groom will not receive a title before his marriage.

The programme announced the wedding of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones.

Throughout the 32-page official booklet, the groom is referred to as "Mr." It seems unlikely that Queen Elizabeth would put the elaborate

publication out of date by changing his title.

As things stand, only one mark distinguishes the groom's name from the average: a hyphen.

If his grandfather 47 years ago had not added the prefix "Armstrong" to the family

He remembered Mrs Peabody and her husband, Fred, when he made up his guest list.

On Princess Margaret's side, the following invitation accepted this week: Prince and Princess Tomislav of Yugoslavia, Prince Karl of Hesse, Prince and Princess George of Denmark and Princess Maximilian and Ludwig of Baden.

It has been decided that the divorced parents of the groom will walk with each other in the wedding procession rather than with their respective spouses.

His mother, the Countess of Rosse, now married to the Earl of Rosse, and Mr Ronald Armstrong-Jones, who has just made his third marriage, will walk directly behind the Queen, Prince Charles, the Queen Mother and the Queen of Denmark as the procession leaves the Abbey.

Two other developments at the beginning of Royal Wedding week were:

Rehearsal

Princess Margaret's wedding procession was rehearsed today in quiet streets as London was awaking.

Despite the early Sunday hour, a sprinkling of sightseers some of them tourists, watched seven empty coaches move down the Mall towards Westminster Abbey, amid a clatter of horses' hooves, while officials with stop watches made time checks.

The London Observer, speculating on what kind of life Princess Margaret and Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones will lead when they are married, believed that there would be some "compromise" arrangement.

It said "Princess Margaret will go on being a Royal Princess; Mr Armstrong-Jones will remain a commoner and will be obliged to live on his wife's allowance of £15,000 a year—on which, incidentally, tax and super-tax have to be paid."

"He will, presumably, not be allowed to earn his living by commercial work; his new connections would give him an unfair advantage over all competitors." — Reuter and China Mail Special.

Favourite model invited

London, May 1.
Miss Jackie Chan, the actress and a favourite photographic model of Mr Antony Armstrong-Jones, has been invited to his Westminster Abbey wedding to Princess Margaret next Friday, according to the Sunday Dispatch and Sunday Express today.

It is understood that Miss Chan received her invitation from Mr Armstrong-Jones himself.

She is now appearing in "The World of Suzie Wong" at the Prince of Wales Theatre, London. She has been given a double ticket for herself and a male escort.

Miss Chan is 22. Her father is a photographer, half Russian, half Chinese, who now lives in Trinidad, where Miss Chan was born.

The Sunday Express quotes her as saying: "I have not made any final plans about what to wear or anything." — Reuter.

name, Princess Margaret would be wedding an ordinary "Mr Jones."

The vast range of social rank among the wedding guests continues to dominate the eve-wedding news.

A 50-year-old grandmother from Matreana, a tiny London district, announced that she and her husband have been invited to the wedding.

Miss Betty Peabody was Tony's charwoman at the Pinello studio that he inhabited before moving to Buckingham Palace.

BIG HOUSING SCHEME FOR 43,500 PEOPLE

The Housing Authority will build a new estate on Clearwater Bay Road, with accommodation for 43,500 people in 7,630 flats. It will be one of the largest domestic housing schemes in the Far East when it is completed at the end of 1963.

It is estimated to cost \$52.5 million. Eight 20-storey blocks, as well as an inter-connecting seven-storey building raised on stilts, will be constructed on a 27-acre site at the junction of Clearwater Bay Road, Choi Hung Road and Kowloon Road. The vast building scheme includes primary and secondary schools, playing fields, a post office, shops and a bus terminus. Approval for the project, which was first announced by Government in May, 1957, has now been given. A Government spokesman said today.

This estate is the fourth major low-cost housing scheme that the Housing Authority has undertaken since it was created.

Non-profit

The Authority, which is empowered to deal with certain aspects of the vast housing problem of Hong Kong, is a non-profit making organization which aims at providing good, permanent housing at the lowest economic cost.

Since its establishment, the Authority has erected the North Point Estate at Java Road and the Sai Wan Chuan Estate in Kennedy Town, and construction work is well advanced on the large So Uk Estate, which has accommodation for about 33,000 people in 5,300 flats.

During the past two years, the Authority has expanded its scheme for the development of the Clearwater Bay Road site before finally agreeing on a scheme offering maximum site utilization and economy of design.

Throughout, economy has been by far the most important single criterion for the Clearwater Bay Road site was originally chosen because it is sited midway between Kowloon and the heavily developed part of Kowloon.

The Clearwater Bay Road scheme, the spokesman explained, is planned for families in the low to medium income groups who are working in the area and who are either not eligible for resettlement or require a higher standard of accommodation than is provided in resettlement estates.

Land resumption

A notification published in today's Government Gazette Extraordinary announced the resumption of all private agricultural land—about 97 acres in all—within the development area of the new Clearwater Bay Road estate. The resumption becomes effective three months from the date of the Gazette announcement.

"Notices of resumption are at present being posted on the lots affected," the spokesman said, "and letters have been sent to the owners concerned, offering them either cash compensation, or where sufficient land is involved, an exchange of building or industrial land of equal value."

These letters also explain that, if the landowners do not wish to accept Government's offer, an Arbitration Board will be set up to determine the amount of compensation payable.

All permits for structures or for occupation of land within the site of the new estate are being cancelled in accordance with the conditions under which the permits were originally granted. These permits will lapse three months from the date of the notice.

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Balance of Korean Cabinet chosen

Seoul, May 2.
The South Korean Foreign Minister, Mr. Huh Chung, acting as President, today completed the formation of his caretaker Cabinet by filling three vacant posts.

Mr. Huh announced the appointments of Lt-General Lee Chang Beon of the South Korean Military Academy, as Defence Minister; Mr. Lee Hui Il, a former provincial governor, as the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry; and Mr. Oh Chung Soo, a businessman, as the Minister of Communication.

General Lee, aged 44, was the Army Chief of Staff in 1952. That year he refused to use the army for Dr. Rhee in his political struggle against the opposition dominated National Assembly and has since been out of Dr. Rhee's favour.

General Lee and the Marinel Law Commander, Lt-General "Tiger" Song (Song Yo Chan) who last week turned down the invitation to become Defence Minister are now the two most respected army officers in South Korea. — Reuter.

Pratt's sister blames shooting on epileptic fit

Johannesburg, May 1.
David Pratt, the South African farmer, who three weeks ago shot and wounded Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd, is "joyful and fit," his sister Peggy said today.

Pratt is believed to be now in Pretoria Central Prison at the present moment. Only three people are authorized to see him, his pretty 22-year-old daughter Susan, his sister Peggy, Ricketts, and his private secretary.

Pratt's sister said he was in excellent health and denied reports that he was suffering from a brain tumour.

She said she was sure Pratt fired at Verwoerd during an attack of epilepsy, from which he has suffered for years. She said there were no personal or political reasons for his attack on Verwoerd.

Pratt is being detained under the emergency regulations. It is thought that his prison has been changed several times, to safeguard him against any reprisals from Verwoerd's friends.

The Prime Minister is still hospitalized.—AP.

Film stars plead for Chessman

Sacramento, Calif., May 1.

Film actors Marlon Brando and Shirley Maclaine and television star Steve Allen, accompanied by two University of California professors, today pleaded unsuccessfully with California's Governor Edmund Brown to save Caryl Chessman from the gas chamber.

The three Hollywood stars and professors Eugene Burdick and Richard Drinnon called on the Governor at his executive mansion here with appeals to grant Chessman a reprieve.

Governor Brown rejected the appeals and told reporters later: "I am powerless to act."

VIOLATION

He said the group had asked him to grant a reprieve while a petition was circulated for a measure to be presented to the State Legislature calling for the abolition of capital punishment in this state.

Governor Brown said any move on his part to grant a reprieve now would be an abuse of his power and "a violation of my conscience."

Governor Brown added: "The matter is in the hands of the State Supreme Court."

Steve Allen, who moved to Hollywood last year to produce his weekly variety television show, told reporters as he left the Governor's mansion: "It doesn't look hopeful" for Chessman.

The group told Mr. Cecil Poole, the Governor's executive secretary, that it was "absolutely unthinkable" that Chessman should be put to death.

They described the execution as "barbaric" and "inhuman."

More than 500 telegrams—the majority of them addressed to Chessman—had been received at the executive mansion here by midday today. The mansion, however, was quiet and there were no pickets or demonstrations outside.

Meanwhile protest groups gathered today outside the State Penitentiary to demonstrate against Chessman's execution.

tion fixed for 10 a.m. tomorrow morning.

EFFIGY

A hanging effigy swung in the wind heavily and a torch symbolizing the life of the convicted man—both will be extinguished at the same time—flared from the overlooking hills.

The torch, lit by a protest group, early last week, is visible from the cell in Death Row where Chessman was today once more going through the pre-execution routine, letter writing, finaling his will and talking with the prison chaplain.

Chessman will not know his fate with certainty until less than two hours before he is due to die. His final slim chance of survival, a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, will be considered by the seven judges of California's Supreme Court at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

Reuter.

BOOM IN U.S. CAR SALES

OVERSEAS COMPANY REPORTS

New York, Apr. 29.
Earnings of the General Motors Corporation for the first three months of 1960 climbed to a first quarter record of \$323,625,516 from \$293,482,419 in the comparable 1959 period, the company has said.

NOTICE

UNION INSURANCE
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(Incorporated in Hong Kong)

Notice to Shareholders

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the Head Office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong, at 11.30 a.m. on Thursday the 26th day of May, 1960 for the following purposes namely:—

1. To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and Balance Sheet and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon and to declare a dividend.
2. To elect Directors.
3. To appoint auditors and fix their remuneration.
4. To transact any other ordinary business of the Society.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Society will be closed from Monday, the 9th day of May, 1960 to Thursday, the 26th day of May, 1960 both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD.

Dated this 22nd day of April, 1960.

J. DICKSON LEACH,
General Manager.

NOTE:

- (1) A Member entitled to attend and vote at the above meeting may appoint a Proxy to attend and vote on his behalf and such Proxy need not also be a Member of the Society.
- (2) Proxy forms should be returned to the registered office of the Society, Alexandra House, Hong Kong not later than 11.30 a.m. on the 24th May, 1960.

For the convenience of shareholders resident in the United Kingdom the Society has arranged that proxies may be delivered not later than the 14th May, 1960 to the London Manager, 78-80 Cornhill, London E.C.3, for transmission by him to the Society's Registered Office.

NOTICE TO AIRLINE PASSENGERS

All Airlines operating out of Hong Kong wish to give notice that with effect from 1st May, 1960, a "Passenger Service Charge" of HK\$5.00 must be paid by each passenger leaving the Colony by air prior to boarding the aircraft. This charge is levied as a result of the Hong Kong Government Air Navigation (Airport Fees) Regulations 1960, published in the Hong Kong Gazette, dated 26th February, 1960. The charge may be paid at any airline office, check-in counter or at the airport; however passengers are requested to pay when purchasing tickets or reconfirming reservations prior to arrival at the Airport.

Recent steady climb in production

New York, May 1.
Cars made economic news this week in the United States. Their rate of production has been steadily climbing again the past three weeks and they are selling at a near-boom pace.

If this trend continues, it may pull steel from its current constant in the seventies (70 per cent of capacity and up) back into the eighties again. This, however, would be for a short spell only, until the summer slack period and car remodelling set in.

It could almost be said that the American-made compact cars were at present one of the most important moving forces behind the economy. Their share of overall production was still only just under 30 per cent but in some areas they sold at a rate of almost 70 per cent of the total new car market. And at 1960 model year, at least, the Falcon and the newer Comet compact accounted for half the total Ford line output.

Outselling

It has been known for some time that the Ford compact has been outselling the standard-sized Ford line.

Last week's U.S. car output was 147,755 units with compact numbering 43,700 or 29.6 per cent. This compared with 134,141 units in the same week a year ago. Trucks were down to 25,208 units compared with 27,000 a year ago. The four millionth car of the 1960 model year was assembled last Monday, a full month ahead of the 1959 model year. This means that 71.8 per cent of the planned 1960 model year has already been assembled.

This week's production schedule was lowered again but mostly due to scattered strikes among suppliers. It was set at 148,000 units, including 43,700 compact cars. Total output for April was estimated at 583,032 units compared with 653,402 in March. Such a decline was forecast early last month when sales were still disappointing.

As for sales, new cars set a brisk pace in mid-April. Retail deliveries ran almost 16 per cent ahead of a year ago and were the best for the April 11 through 20 period since 1955. In all, the nation's dealers in this period sold 206,500 U.S.-made cars, an average of 22,940 units. For each of the period's nine selling days observers said this was not a boom but as close to it as the pace was expected to get this year.

Back into market

Detroit's compacts were also cited by the government as having put the U.S. back into the world car market. Sales of the various compact units under the name of the U.S. vehicles in the first two months of this year, a sharp reversal of the long downward trend.

For the first time in two of three years U.S. exports of new passenger cars in January and February exceeded the previous year. For the two-month period this year they totalled 24,490 units, valued at just over \$50 million, compared with a year ago figure of 21,187 units valued at just under \$48 million. However, the compacts as yet have been unable to stem the influx of foreign car imports. During the same two-month period U.S. imports of foreign cars increased 90,105 units valued at \$113 million last year to 111,901 units valued at \$123.5 million this year.

Unkind words

There have been some unkind words said about the U.S. compacts by foreign exhibitors at last week's International auto show in New York. They said that the compacts are selling in the U.S. only because they are a fad, that they are not real small cars, that Detroit merely shortened the chassis to prevent its extinction.

They implied, in fact, that the compacts were a passing fancy while interest in a genuine small car from Europe or Japan will endure. Whether this will prove to be true or not, the fact remained that the compacts have already put their strong stamp on the U.S. economy for the duration of this year, at least.

U.S. exports of trucks, buses and more parts in January and February also increased. The year-to-date total for the first two months was more than \$50 million from \$42 million a year ago.

U.S. exports generally were on the upswing again. Last month they were the highest in two and a half years with shipments

well above \$1,000 million, a 12 per cent gain over February and 21 per cent higher than March 1959.

While cars were up, steel was still down—comparatively speaking—last week. Output fell almost 2.5 per cent below schedule last week, declining to 78.5 per cent of operating capacity, or 2,238,000 ingots tons. This week's schedule called for 2,201,000 tons or 79.4 per cent of capacity.

Steel demand was generally down from earlier this year. One aspect of this could be seen in cutbacks by three large manufacturers of their appliance output, such as washing machines, ranges, toasters and mixers. Maytag, Westinghouse and General Electric last week announced layoffs totalling about 1,600 men.

But this may still be a reaction to poor sales before Easter. Retail sales generally have since staged a comeback with a gain of some six to seven per cent over a year ago. This rate of sales, businessmen say, should continue in the first half and then drop to a gain of some four per cent, making for a total 1960 gain of about five per cent over 1959.—UPI.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done at the Hong Kong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$3,955,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
GOVT. LOANS			
3½% (1948) ...	83		
BANKS			
HSBC Bank ...	1255	1275	1270
East Asia ...	185		
INSURANCES			
Lombard ...	46		
Underwriters ...	11.28		
SHIPPING			
Wheelock ...	7.35	7.40	7.40
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf ...	119	121	117
Provident ...	21.80	21.90	21.90
Talkoo Dock ...	80	80	80 1/2
LAND, ETC.			
HSBC Hotel ...	28	38 1/2	38
HSBC Land ...	50 1/2	60	60
HSBC-Crown ...	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Realty ...	1.65	1.975	1.925
RUBBER			
Arrol ...	7.40	7.45	7.45
Trust ...	8.90	9	9
S. K. Chan ...	5.40	5.70	5.70
Guang ...	5.40	5.70	5.70
UTILITIES			
Trem ...	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2
Star Ferry ...	169	172	170
Yuen ...	180	182	181
C. Light ...	22.80	24	23.80
Electric ...	29.10	29.30	29.20
Telephone ...	38 1/2	39	38 1/2
HSBC Gas ...	14.20	14 1/2	14 1/2
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement ...	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy ...	28.60	28.80	28.80
Wah ...	28.80	29	28.80
Lane, Crow ...	30	30 1/2	30 1/2
Kwong S. H. ...	100	102	101
Ch. Emp. ...	8.10		
OPTIONALS			
Tecolite ...	10.60	10.80	10 1/2
Nanyang ...	15.30	15.40	15.30
MISCELLANEOUS			
Vibro ...	14 1/2		14 1/2
Gilman ...	2.30	2.40	2.30
INVESTMENTS			
Int. ...	9 1/2		9 1/2
Alfred XD ...	6 1/2		6 1/2
HSBC & Co. ...	15 1/2		15 1/2
Yuen ...	15 1/2		15 1/2

Week of wide declines on Wall Street

New York, May 1.
Blue-chip industrials paced stocks this week to their widest decline in two months.

The five-session decline left prices close to their 1960 lows, and was made despite the healthiest news background in weeks.

Trading picked up slightly on the decline but not enough to indicate a selling climax. And it was for this reason that some brokers said the week's movements could not be considered a genuine test of the lows set in early March.

A selling climax is needed before any attempt can be made at a sustained advance in prices, according to one expert.

There were no concrete reasons for the decline, but some brokers said the market is looking ahead to second quarter results below those of the first quarter, and of the second quarter of 1959 when business boomed in preparation of the steel strike.

OPTIMISTIC

Although cautious projections are being made by many corporate heads, most statements have an optimistic ring. The business world got a lift from March industry survey that revealed solid spending budgets for 1960 have been fixed 16 per cent to a record \$38,000 million. Historically, as capital spending goes so does the economy.

First quarter earnings reports continued to flow in and most of them were good, particularly those of the business giants.

Auto sales figures continued good, but market economists were not especially happy over them. Lower production figures helped put pressure on these issues, and reports of the marked disadvantage of compact car profit against those of the regular models also did not help these stocks any.

Steel production picked up slightly this week, but the heads of U.S. Steel and Bethlehem look for operating rates to decline in the week ended March 4. Steel with only a possible pick-up in the fourth.

SAGGING SALES

Appliance stocks were hurt by the layoffs in the industry because of sagging of retail sales.

Sales this week totalled 14,072,000 shares, or an average of 2,904,592 shares per day, the most since the week ended March 11 when sales averaged 3,160,012 shares daily. Volume last week amounted to 14,069,137 shares, or 2,813,827 per day. Sales for the month of April dropped to 57,201,267 shares from 65,715,223 in March and 75,868,905 in April 1959.

The Dow Jones averages at the close on Friday showed 30 industrials at 601.70 off 14.02, the sharpest decline since the week ended March 4. 50 railroads 139.93 off 2.55; 16 utilities 88.71 off 0.94; and 65 stocks 200.33 off 4.07, the widest decline since the first week of March.—UPI.

Now US \$250 travellers cheque issued

The world's largest denominating travellers cheque is to be issued by Thos. Cook & Son, Ltd. as from today. It will be for U.S.\$250, the first travellers cheque of this amount available.

The new travellers cheque is in gold in colour and is in addition to their present issues of U.S.\$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100.

The travellers cheque will be domiciled at Cooks New York Agency and available anywhere in the world. It is the first dollar denomination to carry the signature of Sir John Elliot, the company's chairman.

This new issue follows closely upon Cooks issue of a \$50 travellers cheque for the first time in February.

Exchange rates

Bottom was done in the local market at the following rates: U.S. dollars (per \$1) 1.48 1/2, Hong Kong dollars (per \$1) 1.48 1/2, Australian dollar (per \$1) 1.48 1/2, Canadian dollar (per \$1) 1.48 1/2, New Zealand dollar (per \$1) 1.48 1/2, Singapore dollar (per \$1) 1.48 1/2.

London closes on cheerful note

London, May 1.
Thursday's statement on the government's credit policy dispelled uncertainties overhanging markets since early April. Prices forged ahead to close on the most cheerful note in weeks.

Restraints on the domestic spending spree were seen as "just about right" and the market felt relieved that their severity was pitched no harder. The Financial Times index lifted 5.2 points on the day, although buying was light and the institutions were not in evidence.

NO EXCEPTION

Most sections of the market shared the rise which had put most blue chips higher. Government bonds were no exception. They had been weak before the Chancellor's statement on the assumption the banks might need to sell stock to finance their newly required mid-June deposits with the Bank of England. But on Friday the gilt-edged boomed up.

Dollar stocks fell back across the week in tune with Wall Street. In the foreign bonds market Japanese non-assessed gilts were sharp sell-backs but recovered slightly on Friday. Greek issues ended firm and were gainers on the week.

Gold shares spurred toward the end of the week on small scale buying. Diamonds also got back on the uptrack. Oils had a mixed week. Rubbers and tea were mainly dull.—UPI.

Dairy Farm meeting

At the annual meeting of the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co. Ltd. held this morning, a final dividend of \$1.30 a share was declared, making a total of \$1.55 a share for the year ended December 31, 1959.

The net profit for the year was \$5,300,948. It was reported in the Directors' statement that the turnover in the retail stores was satisfactory but profit margins in this highly competitive business were not large.

The Chairman, Dr S. N. Chau, formally proposed the adoption of the report. Mr. E. G. Hui, who seconded the Chairman's proposal to adopt the report, congratulated the directors, management and staff on the excellent results achieved for the past year.

Dr S. N. Chau and Col. J. D. Clague were re-elected directors.

Mr. Hudson Chen Wood proposed the additional remuneration of \$2,000 per annum for each director other than a Chairman and \$800 per annum for the Chairman. The proposal was seconded by Mr. Chan Fung-chau.

Peat, Marwick, Mitchell were re-appointed auditors.

Bank of England statement

London, May 1.
The Bank of England statement for the week ended April 27 reads as follows: Notes in circulation ... 42,147,715,000, Private deposits ... 22,147,715,000, Government securities ... 22,147,715,000, Other liabilities ... 22,147,715,000, Total ... 110,570,140,000.

NEW BRITISH INSTRUMENT

New British instrument to measure stars

London, Apr. 30.
A new British instrument which will measure the size and temperature of about 140 of the brightest stars is to be built at Narrabri, New South Wales, Australia.

It will be the first of its kind in the world and will incorporate two 25½ diameter mirrors.

Grants for the instrument—a stellar interferometer—have been made by the government sponsored department of scientific and industrial research and Manchester University.

The giant apparatus is described in the scientific journal Nature. The mirrors, with their mounts, will each weigh about 12 tons. They will be built up of 252 identical hexagonal mirrors which focus the light from the star on the cathode of a photomultiplier tube.

CONSTRUCTION

Construction of the Interferometer will be completed towards the end of this year. It will be assembled early next year.

The mirrors move around a circular track about 600 ft in diameter during stellar observations at night. During the day, the mirrors are housed to keep off dust and protect them from the sun's rays.

As well as measuring size and temperature of hot stars many of which are never seen from England—the interferometer will tell of the way star brightness varies.

"The knowledge of these quantities is of great importance in astrophysical theory," Nature said. "The majority of the better stars at least, cannot be obtained directly in any other way."—China Mail Special.

Thermo-electric refrigeration

BRITAIN, Russia and the U.S.A. are all working to develop practical thermo-electric refrigeration. Now, as a result of work carried out at The Research Laboratories of The General Electric Co. Ltd. of England, G.E.C. is able to release certain information regarding the Company's thermo-electric cold box—the world's first prototype model of a commercial design.

The system offers the advantages of lightness, no moving or wearing parts, silent operation and the avoidance of the use of chemical refrigerants; furthermore, it can operate directly from a battery d.c. supply, useful for cars, trains etc.

Likely developments in thermo-electric refrigeration include air-conditioned protective clothing in which thermo-electric elements would chill or heat the air in circulation within the suit as the ambient conditions require—(useful for space travel?).

In medicine, thermo-electric cooling may be applicable for cold storing specimens in portable carrying equipment in which they are converted, for example, from the operating theatre to the pathology laboratory. The power-handling capacity of transistors can be multiplied several times if local cooling by thermo-electric means can be applied and already the principle is used to cool the real sulphide detector cells in the infra-red sensing devices of air-to-air missiles.

HOW IT WORKS

The GEC cold box works on the principle of the Peltier effect: the production of cold at one side of a thermocouple and heat at the other when direct current passes.

The idea has been developed to a practical stage by GEC by evolving efficient semiconductor thermocouples and forms of construction that provide adequate thermal isolation between the hot and the cold side of the junction.

Each thermocouple operates at low voltage and 5-10 amp. cooling power being about 1/2 kw. The drop of air temperature obtainable in an air stream is 20 to 30 degrees C. The GEC cold box prototype is about one cubic foot in size, with drop down and out and can be carried in the foot of a car.

Surface hardener for formwork

A NEW synthetic resinous agent for the hardening and protection of timber surfaces, which is particularly effective in the treatment of timber used in the shuttering and moulding of concrete, has been developed by Stuart B. Dickson Ltd., the concrete waterproofing consultants and manufacturers, of 36, Victoria Street, London, S.W.1.

Known as "Moldcrete," the new liquid hardener is the product of intensive laboratory research on the improvement of the surface finish of concrete and lengthening of the economic life of formwork. When applied to timber by spray or brush, it imparts a smooth, impermeable and highly-glossed finish which is claimed to afford lasting protection against moisture or alkalis from concrete.

The hard protective veneer allows a materially increased number of formwork uses without deterioration and conduces to a fine even concrete surface texture. "Moldcrete" is an inexpensive treatment which yields real economies in the construction of formwork by reason of the increased number of uses obtained. Greatly improved surface quality dispenses with the need for lengthy concrete finishing operations.

Important projects upon which "Moldcrete" has already been used successfully, include the new Uckworth Generating Station in Scotland; Nottingham University Science Block; Manchester University Engineering Building and the £1,000,000 Avonmouth Docks Improvement Scheme in England.

Electronic teaching aids

PRACTICAL aids to the teaching of basic electronic theory are now available from the Special Products Department of Associated Electrical Industries (Widley) Ltd.

They have been designed in collaboration with the Northampton Polytechnic to form the basis of an extensive range of laboratory experiments to be carried out in conjunction with courses in radio and electronic theory.

Eleven chassis are available, to teach the basic connections of International Octal, 9TY and 9B A valves, and the operation of an RC-coupled amplifier, RC-coupled and tuned-circuit oscillators, low-pass and high-pass networks, and a power stage.

The units have been designed to operate in the audio frequency range, so that associated equipment (power supplies, audio oscillator, oscilloscope) is not hard to find. The manufacturers are able to supply suitable power packs and an audio oscillator.

The circuit diagram of each major unit is printed on the top of the chassis, and where a terminal or switch occurs in the theoretical circuit, the actual component is mounted. To clarify the theory, the student can view the wiring and components beneath the chassis through a Perspex base, and compare the layout with the circuit diagram. Each unit is supplied with instruction sheets covering a number of experiments and the underlying theory. These experiments are designed to cover the needs of students at both elementary and more advanced levels. The range of equipment is robustly constructed, and is silver-grey "banister" finished.

West agrees on stopgap

Diver dies of paralysis

Brisbane, May 1. An Okinawan pearl diver died of paralysis near Thursday Island, it was reported today.

He was Hiroshi Arakawa, 26, who was stricken with paralysis while diving in 30 fathoms of water in pearl shell beds of Darley Deep, 25 miles from Thursday Island.

He was brought to the surface in stages by crew members of the fishing lugger *Sedaya* but was dead when he reached the surface.

The body has no radio and first news of the fatality—first of this year's season—came when the lugger was reported at Thursday Island. —Reuter.

Another shock at Lar

Teheran, Apr. 30. Another tremor today shook the south Persian town of Lar, razed by a major earthquake last Sunday and since rocked by a series of further earth shivers.

A Government plane today began spraying the town with disinfectant while medical workers treated refugees for dysentery caused by drinking impure water.

Some refugees have also been bitten by snakes. Troops are firing shots in the air to keep roving wolves away from the town at night.

A 72-year-old man found in the wreckage five days after the earthquake was today reported to be making a good recovery in nearby Shiraz hospital.

So is a nameless baby girl born just before the disaster which killed her parents.

SOLDIERS INJURED

Relief workers said two soldiers had been injured by falling wreckage in Lar.

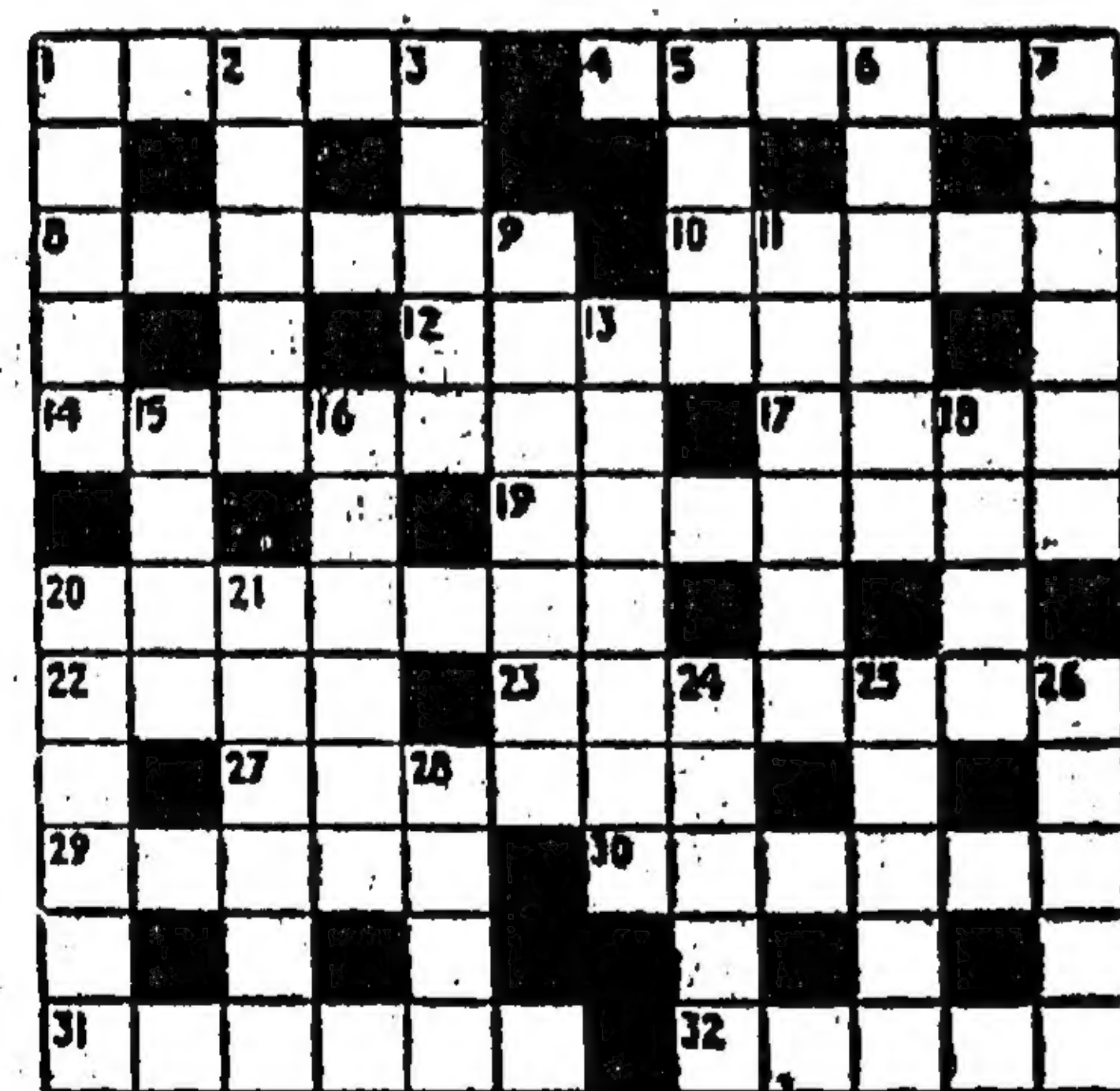
No further deliveries of tents have been reported in the past 24 hours, and 12,000 refugees are still sheltering in 1,000 tents.

The Shah will visit the stricken town tomorrow.

Radio Tehran announced that the earthquake caused 3,500 casualties.

Of these between 400 to 500 were killed, 72 seriously injured and the others wounded. —Reuter and AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Sort of super score? (5)
 - Nelson supporter. (6)
 - Bit of a brigand. (6)
 - Flower lady? (5)
 - Idle hand at the bakery? (6)
 - It is frequently screened, but not in the East. (7)
 - Result of some boring work underground. (4)
 - Plagues. (7)
 - Favourite has a row with more trifling result. (7)
 - Elbowed for example. (4)
 - The blooming animal got up? (7)
 - This French painter is just about black in France. (6)
 - A Stock Exchange portion. (6)
 - Powdered, or removed. It. (6)
 - Time on the side? (6)
 - Final back-breaker. (5)
- DOWN**
- Joint from below. (5)
 - Coal holders. (6)
 - Nimble. (5)
 - Suitable name for foal broken in Norway? (4)
 - Inaccurate. (6)
 - Sometimes killed in a dental surgery? (6)
 - Tin fish. (7)
 - Compiler with four legs. (6)
 - Barometer description. (7)
 - Smooth at sunset? (4)
 - Adverb? (6)
 - Brief brothers. (4)
 - This sort of judge sounds puny. (6)
 - Horangue delivered when I enter trade. (6)
 - Inner forms. (6)
 - Animal suffering more from the east? (6)
 - Provide for. (6)
 - River of twin directions. (4)

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3. Mischief, 5. Boot, 9. Sprout, 11. Relation, 13. Edge, 15. Luke-warm, 16. Endless, 19. Peak, 21. Pleasure, 23. Napoleon, 24. Halo, 27. Alarmist, 29. Dawn, 31. Ebor, 2 To-14, 4. Imp, 5. Coon, 6. In top, 7. Fudge, 9. So-wa, 10. Roars, 12. Route, 14. Siger, 16. Angle, 17. M-L-en, 19. Pledge, 20. Coy-A-A, 21. Plum, 22. Bone, 23. Uta, 24. Ebon (20).

Berlin deal SUMMIT PLAN FOR GERMAN PLEBISCITE

Istanbul, May 1. Western statesmen today agreed on conditions for a stopgap deal with Russia designed to defuse the diplomatic time-bomb of Berlin.

At the same time they endorsed a new Summit plan for an all-German plebiscite to settle whether the German people want the Soviet method or the Western method of restoring the nation's unity.

But Allied Foreign Ministers failed to reach full agreement on the outline of a new approach to the East-West disarmament negotiations. All were reported convinced that the Soviet Premier, Mr. Khrushchev seriously wants some measure of nuclear disarmament soon at a bargain-basement price in terms of control.

Policy range

Foreign Ministers of the United States, Britain, and France, meeting with their colleagues ranged over the policies they intended to press when their chiefs of government meet Mr. Khrushchev at the Summit in Paris on May 16.

Their recommendations on Monday will be discussed by the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.

The Western leaders frankly acknowledged that there seems little chance now on an all-German settlement.

Accordingly they turned their attention to the problem of finding an interim agreement with the Communists that would take the heat out of the explosive Berlin situation.

Only on Friday, the American Secretary of State, Mr. Herter told the Central Treaty Organisation meeting in Teheran that Berlin is "a time-bomb that must be defused" at the Summit.

Informed diplomats did not disclose all the Western conditions for a Berlin deal. But they said that any interim arrangement would have to leave the Allied position in the divided city intact at the end of any agreed period. In addition during the term of the agreement Western rights of access

would have to be maintained by local guarantees.

Mr. Herter will outline the Western Big Three stand—which today put the West German Foreign Minister, Dr. Von Brentano's endorsement at the Nato Council meeting opening on Monday.

It was Russia's demand for converting West Berlin into a demilitarised free city that started the trouble and led to the fixing of the Summit talks.

Demonstrators go wild in new state

Bombay, May 1. Several thousand demonstrators demanding the separation of Vidarbha from the new state of Maharashtra ran wild in Nagpur, 500 miles from Bombay today.

They burned a bus, set fire to a railway office and stoned policemen were hurt.

Police fought back with tear gas and clubs. The number of casualties among the mob is not yet known.

The bi-lingual state of Bombay was legally divided on Sunday into Marathi-speaking Maharashtra with Bombay as the capital, and Gujarati speaking Gujarat with Ahmedabad as the capital.

Vidarbha is a Marathi speaking region with about eight million people.

The demonstrators seek a separate state with Nagpur as the capital. —AP.

Freedom on street

Rome, May 1. A Rome court of appeals yesterday ruled that 14 streetwalkers committed no crime when they staged a "freedom of prostitution" march down the smart Via Veneto.

The girls marched in processions down the tree-lined avenue on Holy Thursday last year to protest against Italy's anti-prostitution law and a police crackdown on streetwalkers.

The girls at first were charged with "seditious gathering" and resistance to police. A lower court reduced the charges to disobeying a police order to disperse, and fined the girls 12,000 lire (\$1920) each.

The court of appeals ruled that the march was not a crime or offence and acquitted them. —UPI.

S. AFRICA'S POLICY SHOULD BY DISCUSSED SAYS TUNKU

London, May 1. When Tunku Abdul Rahman, Prime Minister of Malaysia, arrived at London airport tonight, he said that it was important whether the Prime Ministers discussed the South African apartheid policy openly or privately.

"I think it is a question which the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference should take up. Whether it is open or private I leave to my host. I do not want to embarrass my colleagues. It is something which is really important."

The Malaysian Prime Minister said "I have the privilege. I believe, as the member of



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Colourful funerals

New York, May 1. America's funeral directors are turning from traditional black to two and even three-tone funeral coaches.

The old superstition about black is changing with a resulting new status symbol in the funeral business in many parts of the nation.

In 1940, more than 95 per cent of all hearses were black, today fully half of the coaches produced are coloured. Three-tone tan coaches are popular as well as combinations of white and blue. Peacock blue with aqua and grey has been accepted.

Funeral directors, in defending the trend toward multi-coloured coaches, remind critics that flowers have been an accepted burial tradition for centuries.

"Why not colour in coaches, too?" they ask. —UPI.

Giant carp

Vienna, May 1. A giant carp caught in Lake Constance is believed by experts to be at least 100 years old.

It took Herr Theo Feuerstein and several friends half an hour to overcome the scales of the 22-pound centenarian, and even a motor-boat was used in the struggle to land the 33-inch long giant.

Will it go into a show-case? No, Herr Feuerstein intends to have it smoked for eating. —China Mail Special.

London, May 1. Schoolboys excavation was a hobby on Castle Green, a park at Hereford, found the remains of a church believed to date back to the 13th century. —UPI.

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Planes search in vain for Gluckmann

Honolulu, May 1. Search planes today combed the Pacific in vain for Peter Gluckmann, America's "Flying Watchmaker," who vanished while attempting a solo long-distance flight record.

Dramatist, director alliance mystery

New York, May 1. Elia Kazan's withdrawal last week as director of Tennessee Williams' new play "Period of Adjustment" was a bombshell in the Broadway theatre world.

The reasons are cloaked in mystery, as the two stage luminaries give conflicting versions of why they came to a parting of ways. The fabulously successful dramatist-director alliance began in 1947 with production of "A Streetcar Named Desire."

Kazan announced officially that he gave up the new assignment because it conflicted with work on a movie that would keep him busy well beyond September, when he was to have staged the new Williams play.

The author does not credit Kazan's official excuse, nor does Kazan sympathize with Williams' emotional interpretation of the break. New York Times theatre writer Arthur Gelb said after interviewing the two.

CRAZY IDEA

"Kazan has suddenly gotten the crazy idea that he is not good for my work," Williams said. "We met on Monday night for drinks. He showed up looking rather shabby and grey in the face, and told me definitely he couldn't do my new play. I tried my best to make him change his mind, but he was adamant."

Kazan's version: "I offered to do the play when I was through with my movie, but Tennessee was not willing to wait till then. I consider him the greatest living playwright and would certainly like to work with him again, if he will ask me."

This was Kazan's second dramatic break with a foremost American playwright. In 1952 Arthur Miller and Kazan parted company after Kazan had directed "All My Sons" and "Death of a Salesman."

MISUNDERSTANDING

Williams feels that this time a "misunderstanding" going deeper than a problem of production schedules is involved.

"I think," the author said, "that Kazan has been upset by people who accuse him of looking for popular success—people who snipe at his so-called melodramatic interpretation of my plays."

Kazan's reply: "I'll admit that the sniping has annoyed me. But I'm used to being sniped at and would never give up a play for a reason like that."

Williams said: "Kazan has been falsely blamed for my own desire for success." —AP.

Gluckmann, a 34-year-old German-born watchmaker who flew a single-engine plane around the world last year, was hoping to break the distance record of 7,000 miles set up by Max Conrad, the 57-year-old American "Flying Grandfather."

Gluckmann planned to fly non-stop the 8,000 miles from Tokyo to New York. He was last heard of seven hours out from Tokyo last Wednesday.

CARRIER-PIGEON

While the search planes patrolled the ocean, the coast-guard sent a carrier-pigeon to Nihaui Island, one of the Hawaiian group, asking islanders to search the beaches for the missing flier.

(A Texas woman reported on Friday that she had picked up a short-wave message saying: "Been here since yesterday... small plane on beach 150 miles from Honolulu... transmitter is gone. Hear me. This is the only way I have to... the message faded at this point." —Reuter.)

SKIRTING THE ISSUE

Boston, May 1. A Massachusetts State Senator says, "Let's put women back on her pedestal"—and he'll do his share by skirting the issue.

Senator William K. Wall said he soon will offer a proposal in the Massachusetts Legislature to prohibit women from wearing shorts and slacks in public.

"I'm not so old," said the balding Senator. "That I don't appreciate beauty as much as the next fellow, but women in trousers lack femininity."

He added: "Society, through its legislative bodies, owes a positive duty to protect its members, even in spite of their own thoughtlessness, from the results that follow when the subnormal of the population are unduly affected (by women in shorts)." —AP.

Anti-Dutch

Djakarta, May 1. About 100 youths hung anti-Dutch posters on a fence surrounding the Netherlands diplomatic mission building here today.

The incident took place during May Day celebrations in the Indonesian capital—celebrations which, compared with previous years, were unimpressive.

Pamphlets containing anti-Dutch material were distributed in various parts of Djakarta.

A mass rally was held in Djakarta sports stadium. —AP.

Horse traffic

West Berlin, May 1. Horses are still an element of traffic in West Berlin and their number is increasing—three per cent in the last two years to a total of 1,620. —UPI.

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Vocal concert at Miramar

By D. E. GRAY

THE Union Chorus, under the direction of Mr Lin Shing Hai, presented a vocal concert at the Hall of the Miramar Hotel on Friday evening. There was a very pleasant, homely atmosphere about the concert, with nothing very rousing or spectacular in any way, and one could relax and enjoy the music, within its limitations.

The Chorus opened the programme with an Ave Verum Corpus by Mozart, and a Gloria from Bach's B Minor Mass. It closed the programme with three songs—Spring Greeting, Parental Love, and The Flag in Wavem.

These choir numbers only 32 (eight of each voice) and for the last group of songs it seemed to be quite adequate. For the Mozart and Bach, it was somewhat unbalanced—the women sang well, but there was a shortage of male tone, particularly in the bass. Of course, a general criticism of choirs in Hong Kong is that they are, in general, far too small. If people would get together and form lower and bigger choirs we would have much better vocal music.

The rest of the programme consisted of a number of vocal solos, duets and one quartet, the last one being the famous quartet from Verdi's Rigoletto. The tenor had difficulty with his top register, and in general the ensemble was not at its best.

★ ★ ★

Of the solos Lee Bing, who sang Voi Che Sapeste from The Marriage of Figaro and a song called Wild Fire, provided a very good performance although she took the Mozart on the slow side. She has a lovely rich natural tone, with good intonation. Several of the other solo numbers were likewise taken too slowly—however, it may have been due, in part, to the rather poor piano accompaniment. This was particularly brought out in Chan Ki-lung's singing of "Then You'll Remember Me", from The Bohemian Girl. The song was made to jolt on rather like a march.

This singer, although he tended to crack his top notes, sang "Oh Promise Me" by de Kovan, very sweetly, and his group of songs ended with a Drinking Song, which suited him very well.

The male duet, Molan Chan and Y. O. Lee, sang their two songs very sweetly and simply, with excellent intonation, and a real feeling for the music. Vera Au Young seemed to be a bit off colour on this night. It may have been that the choice of songs, Du Bist Die Ruh, by Schubert and Il Bacio by Arditi, did not suit her very well, and she tended to be a bit sharp in the Schubert.

The Miramar seems to have a good concert hall, and sitting half way back, as I was, the voices were excellent. However, the ceiling is low, as is the stage, and that would appear to offer a certain problem to many concert presentations. And the piano is the usual Salon Orchestra/Dance Band type of instrument which, of course, is not suitable for a big concert.

25th anniversary of Choral Group

In commemoration of its 25th anniversary, the Choral Group will present a concert in the hall of Queen's College on Wednesday at 9 p.m.

The Jubilee Concert will be supported by the choir & orchestra of the Choral Group together with some well-known soloists such as Louisa Jeanette Ho, Sylvia Choo, Edriz Carvalho, Elvie Yuen and Gaston D'Alquino.

Tickets are on sale at all leading music companies.

HOUSING SCHEME

(Continued from Page 1)

Some 3,000 people are at present living on the site in 250 illegal or unauthorised structures erected either on Crown land or on private agricultural land.

These squatters will be removed by the Resettlement Department, and any who are considered to be genuine residents will be offered accommodation either in the Clearwater Bay Road estate or in one of the multi-storey resettlement estates.

Those who choose accommodation in the new estate, and can afford to pay the rents, will be housed in resettlement estates, if they wish, until the flats at Clearwater Bay Road are ready for occupation, he explained.

Cultivators will be given compensation for their vegetable crops or flowers at full market rates as well as an ex-gratia compensation of ten or 80 cents for every foot of cultivated land, depending on the period of cultivation either by the farmers themselves or by the immediate members of their families.

Where any cultivator, or an immediate member of his family, was the owner of the land cultivated prior to resumption, the ex-gratia grant will be ten cents for every foot of cultivated land.

Great care has been taken to avoid interference with existing houses and housing lots in the nearby villages in order to minimise inconvenience to those living there, the spokesman pointed out.

Needs of people In planning the schools Government will pay particular attention to the needs of people living in the surrounding villages. The use of the schools, therefore, will not be limited to residents of the new estate," he added.

As soon as the private land to be resumed has reverted to the Crown and the site has been cleared, the construction of flats will begin, together with the diversion of the stream courses in the area.

Site formation will start at about the same time. Piling work and construction are scheduled to commence before the end of the year. The estate should be completed towards the end of 1963, but the first block of flats should be ready for occupation in two years' time.

NO LET-UP IN APARTHEID AFRICANS TOLD

Johannesburg, May 1. The hopes of liberal elements for a relaxation of the Nationalist Government's strict segregation policy and an early lifting of the state of emergency regulations which rule this country apparently were dashed over the weekend.

The wounded Premier, Dr Hendrik Verwoerd, although still confined to Pretoria hospital with two bullets in his face, will have the last word on both questions. But one of Dr Verwoerd's staunchest supporters said that the policy remains unchanged.

This was proclaimed by M. D. De Wet Nel, Minister of Bantu Affairs and Development, at a Nationalist party meeting on Saturday night in Pretoria after he visited Dr Verwoerd in hospital.

Mr Nel, who is chief executor of the Government's policy toward the nation's black majority, declared: "Dr Verwoerd believes more than ever now that the policy being followed in South Africa is the correct one."

"That in the message I bring you from the prime minister. All the bullets and all the scandals will not deter us from our path."

"We have no illusions that the man who shot Dr Verwoerd was the instrument of the devil's hand. They were bullets aimed at Afrikanerdom. Those bullets were not only aimed at Dr Verwoerd but it was a specific challenge to the European population of South Africa."—AP.

MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL OPENS

(Continued from Page 1)

ceived when he came in contact with the rim of the car's windshield.

"His body was found about 11 yards from where Mrs Sl's handbag was found which was on the route they were taking across the road."

Mr Hooton said that as Queen's Road was a one-way street there was no chance of a driver being dazzled by oncoming cars. He would have a good view and had reasonably good lights.

Bus struck

Accident No. 3: A bus coming from Aberdeen on its last trip to town was struck on the right side by a car coming in the opposite direction.

The bus was heading the Calcutta filling station when the driver saw a private car approaching rather fast, over the double white lines on a "S" bend.

"The driver pulled the bus as far as he could to the left but the car still hit the side of the bus. The car did not stop."

A further insurance claim prepared by the owner of XX4240 on details given by Fleming said that certain damage to the car was caused in a collision with a bus in Pokfulam Road on the night of February 3. Fleming said he did not stop.

The damaged car was noticed by a police patrol and stopped at the junction of Island Road and Deep Water Bay Road on the morning of February 4.

The police asked Fleming, who was driving, if he had been involved in an accident. He replied that he had recently but did not know much about it because he had been drunk."

First witness

Mr Hooton said that an Inspector was called and when he arrived told Fleming that he had reason to believe that Fleming had caused the death of a man.

Fleming is alleged to have said a number of times: "Oh my God, no."

The first witness, Fleming's employer Mr Kenneth George Spink, managing director of Charles Morgan Lendrum Ltd, told the Court that he lives at 25 Shouson Hill Road, next-door to Fleming.

He said that he and Fleming had authority to drive the Morris Minor Station Wagon XX4240 which was owned by the company.

On February 3 the accused had the use of the car. "I left home on the morning of February 4 just after 7.30 a.m. I had heard Fleming drive off about three minutes earlier."

"At the Junction of Island Road and Deep Water Bay Road, I saw Fleming's car stopped by some police. I also stopped to see what the trouble was. Fleming's car was damaged."

"Fleming said he had been involved in an accident the previous night and was on his way to the police station to report it."

Identification

Witness identified typewritten details of the accident prepared and signed by Fleming which were handed to him on March 10.

Mr Hooton is assisted by Mr W. S. Davidson, Crown Counsel, and Inspector C. Pope.

Mr Brook Bernacchi, QC and Mr D. A. L. Wright, instructed by Mr Harold Galne, of Messrs Johnson Stokes and Master appeared for Fleming.

Mr Gerald de Baste instructed by P. H. Sin and Co. is holding a watching brief for the estate of the deceased and for Mrs Sl. Hearing continues.

HITLER'S SKETCHES AMONG THE GREATS

London, May 1.

Two rare sketches in pencil and watercolour sketched by Adolf Hitler will stand beside works by Renoir, Monet and Degas, famed French impressionists, at a picture and sculpture sale at Sotheby's, the London auction house, on May 4.

The two signed sketches date from Hitler's house-painter days and both are of Viennese subjects. As a youth, Hitler sold his water colours and oils from door to door for a few shillings each. Later, a dictator, he rounded up as many of his works of art as he could and destroyed most of them.

Signed original Hitlers are now a great rarity, a spokesman for the auction house said.—China Mail Special.

Dramatic rescue bid to save workmen

Melbourne, Apr. 30.

Workmen late today were inching their way through bulging clay to rescue two men trapped in a tunnel fall, 190 feet underground. They had uncovered the men's heads and were gingerly scraping away soil, boarding it up as they went.

The men are believed to be injured but all that was known was that they were unconscious, but still breathing.

The two men were members of a party of six digging a water supply tunnel at suburban Footscray. They were trapped when the face of the tunnel caved in.—China Mail Special.

New York fire

New York, May 1.

A mother, her two teenage sons and a guest were killed today when fire swept a three-story home in Bayshore. Three others including two children were injured.—UPI.

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WILL CHESSMAN DIE TODAY?

CELL 2455, Death Row, San Quentin, is a concrete and steel cubicle, 4½ ft. wide, 10½ ft. long, 7½ ft. high.

Caryl Chessman was 27 when they took him there to die.

He is 39 now. For 12 years he has been engaged next door to the point of no return.

"I came to the Row with one driving, dominant goal — to conjure up a legal miracle and leave the Row alive," he has said.

Will this happen?

Eight times his execution day has been fixed.

Eight times he has talked himself out of the gas chamber. The last respite he earned gave him 60 more days to live.

The judge who sentenced him is dead. So are several of the jurors who found him guilty of the Red Light Bandit charges.

So is his mother. So is his father. His first wife has remarried.

Also dead are more than 90 temporary neighbours in Death Row who couldn't conjure up the legal miracle that has kept Chessman alive — so far.

LAST HOURS

What is it like, this tortured life-in-death life that he leads?

In his book, *Cell 2455 Death Row* (published by Longmans, Green and Co. Ltd.) he graphically describes the Row as an execution draws near. The condemned man is Big Red, a genial Arkansan, who killed a man in a drunken brawl.

"Know what I ask you to get me for the last meal?" says Big Red. "Banana cream pie. An 'I' that's a delicious way to get pie, ain't it?"

Big Red is silent for a moment, then he says: "Only that's a delicious way to get pie, ain't it?"

Then two bells — and a sudden chilling silence stops the babel of voices.

"They ain't forgot me, I hear 'em coming," Big Red says. "Think I'll hide under the bed. Tell 'em I've moved."

Chessman continues: The wardens move along the Row. One carries an unlit cigar.

"I'm gonna take the with me," says Big Red, taking down a picture of Eisenhower he has in his cell. He is somebody to believe in. He walks out clutching the picture.

He walks down the corridor. "So long, Chief; so long, Tom."

And he is gone. The last night next to the gas chamber he lies on his mattress, staring blankly at the wall.

TALKING POINTS

Prosperity destroys fools and endangers the wise. —H. G. BOHN.

★ ★ ★

Many a man's reputation would not know his character if they met in the street. —ELBERT HUBBARD.

★ ★ ★

A politician without vanity is like a fish without water. —MORGAN PHILLIPS.

★ ★ ★

People say that life is the thing, but I prefer reading. —LOGAN PEARSON SMITH.

★ ★ ★

Method is the mother of memory. —THOMAS FULLER.

★ ★ ★

I never knew a man of merit neglected. It was generally his own fault if he failed of success. —SAMUEL JOHNSON.

—London Express Service.



Caryl Chessman — all hope gone?

THEN IT'S 9-50 A.M. ALL HOPE FOR A STAY OF EXECUTION IS GONE.

10 a.m.: Big Red takes the picture with him. At the door of the gas chamber he turns and hands it to a guard.

"I don't wanna take like in there,"

They sent him in one of the two metal chairs, strap down. An electric stethoscope is taped to his chest. A guard puts him on the back. "Good luck," Big Red quips.

The warders leave. The door is sealed. Official witnesses stare at Big Red through the thick glass windows of this squat chamber of death.

He sniffs tentatively. His nostrils twitch at the pungent, sickening sweet odour of peach blossoms. He gulps a lungful of the deadly fumes. His senses reel giddily, then sink, as consciousness recedes into a final darkness.

For 10 minutes the process of dying goes on, writes Chessman. Big Red's body jerks once, twice, three times. Then Big Red is irrevocably dead.

This is the future that has lurked for Chessman for 12 years.

What is it like, this waiting?

VIOLENT PAST

"A wall comes around me and the world when the time is near," said Chessman, as he talked of the sensation of being within hours of death. It is not fear in the ordinary way.

"There is emotion. But it doesn't find expression. The only reality is the knowledge that there is nothing left. You know there is only one thing which is yours — and that is your execution."

How long can it go on, this waiting?

"I don't know. I've often asked myself. This has been a barbarous experience. What are the limits of the tolerance of my mind? What is my breaking point?"

BUT THERE IS NO SELF-PITY IN CHESSMAN.

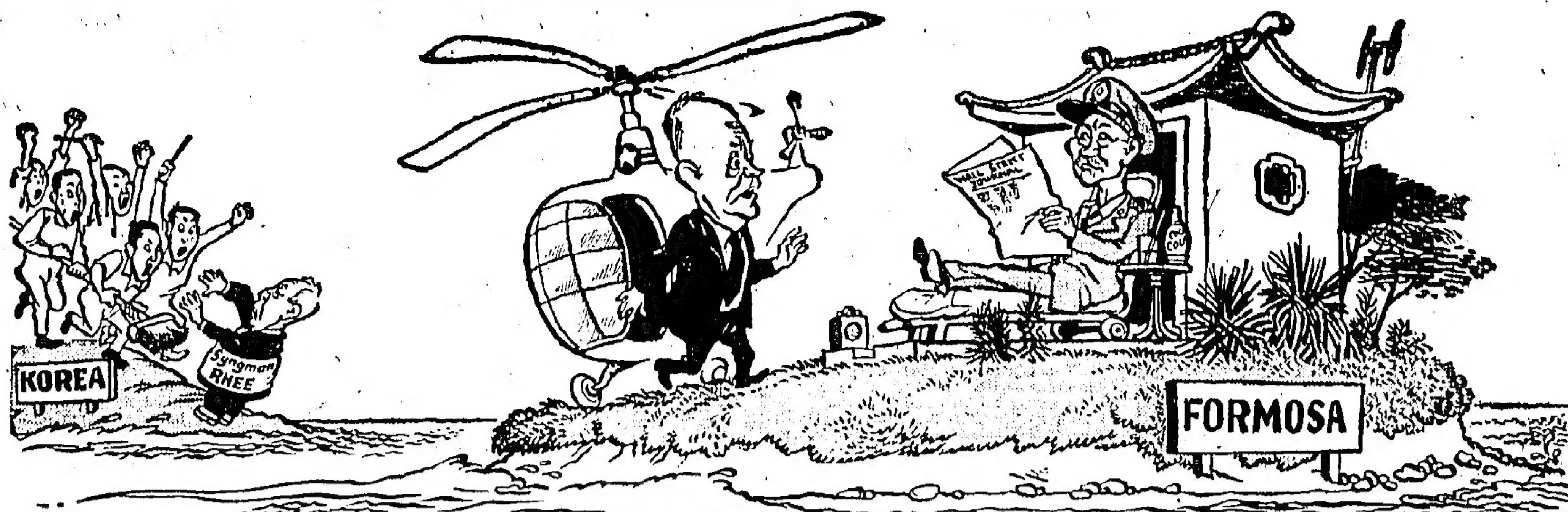
"I thank myself alone for my plight," he writes. "I certainly don't blame the courts or the prison governor. They didn't invent Chessman the 'psycho-path' with the violent criminal past."

"They only dealt with him — a man, they were repeatedly warned, who was cunning, sinister, dangerous and who, if released, gave not a damn for court or society, or anyone or anything..."

He says that his death will not stop the problem of the other Chessmans who are to come... the hell-raising delinquents, the little criminals who become big criminals.

Whatever Chessman may say about the death penalty, one thing is certain: The world is sickened by the system that keeps a man waiting twelve years in life-or-death suspense.

RON EVANS



Cummings

"Good morning, General Chiang Kai-shek! Would you, by any chance, have accommodation for another distinguished refugee, shortly?"

London Express Service.

IN DISMAY (AND ANGER) I WRITE FROM TRAFALGAR SQUARE...

by
RENE MacCOLL

Rome.
WHEN I was a little boy, living in North-West London, I used occasionally to be taken to the fair on Hampstead Heath when Easter Bank Holiday came round.

There were swings and coconut shies; merry-go-rounds and hoop-la; dodgoms and know-your-strength machines, to a background of relentless, raucous music.

Nowadays it is no longer necessary to journey to Hampstead. On Easter Monday you can station yourself in Trafalgar Square and let the carnival come shuffling and shambling along to present itself at the foot of Nelson's Column.

The music-raucous as ever — is there. The roustabouts and barkers and pitch-men are there.

So are the comic hats, the soft drink and sandwich sellers. The signs, of course, are there. Not, perhaps, quite so professionally designed — but just as geographical.

The corn

Where, in my youth, I gazed at banners advertising the "Bearded Giantess from Patagonia," last evening, under the golden glow of the sunshine at the top of Whitehall, I stared at similar signs reading "Preston says 'Ban the Bomb'."

And whereas, in those dear, dead days, fatigued roisterers were wont to remove their shoes and socks and wade daintily in the waters of the White Stone Pond, hard by Jack Straw's Castle, the other night the bearded and be-jeaned ones, who had come limping in from Aldermaston on many a hard-earned bunion, and many an excruciating corn, dabbled their burning feet in the cool waters of the Trafalgar Square fountains, while the bobbies looked obligingly elsewhere.

The kilt

The British are an incurably self-conscious race, and it was self-consciousness which seemed to be the dominant emotion, judging from the expressions on those in the procession's van, as the Aldermastonites tackled the home stretch from Parliament Square.

A young man of truculent aspect, arrayed in the kilt, led the entire procession, which in aggregate would have provided a handy gate at Lord's.

He beat furiously upon a drum. A senior police officer

walked reassuringly backwards near by.

There in the front rank, behind the kilted one, marched the arch-protesters. Miss Jacquetta Hawkes was arrayed in a crimson sombrero and canary-tinted, teenage, ankle-length socks.

One almost felt that she wished to be recognised. One could imagine the whispers of "Dig that famous geologist!" from the watching crowd.

The purple

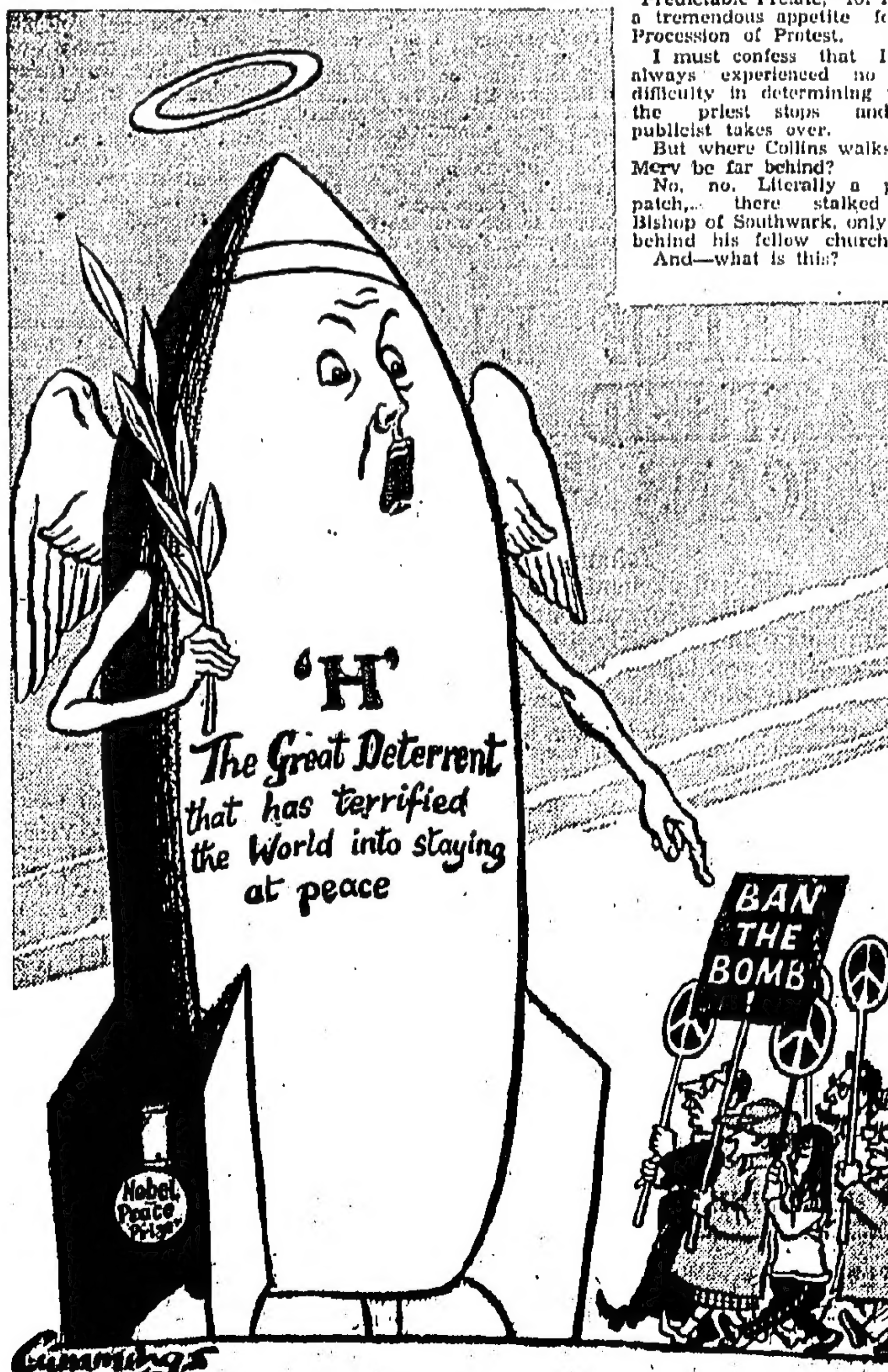
There paced Canon J. L. Collins, the almost inevitable embellishment of such occasions. One could call him the "Predictable Prelate," for he has a tremendous appetite for the Procession of Protest.

I must confess that I have always experienced no little difficulty in determining where the priest stops and the publicist takes over.

But where Collins walks — can

Merely be far behind? No, no. Literally a purple patch... there stalked the Bishop of Southwark, only a file behind his fellow churchman.

And — what is this?



Cummings

"Help! Warmongers!"

London Express Service.

Yes, in a brilliantly scarlet sweater comes stumbling along, looking like the wicketkeeper amid the flashy bats, Mr Sydney Silverman, M.P.

Yes, they were, shoulder to shoulder, facing dauntlessly the pigeons and the plaudits. Their pace was slow, partly to allow footsore ones to keep up; partly to maintain the dignity of a mournful tempo; partly perhaps to enable all to recognise the faces.

The Caddess, the Kemmers, the Horners, and the Foots, all came on up Whitehall.

The fun!

As they drew abreast of the Life Guards on their sentry duty, a brief notion — instantly repressed — flashed through my mind, of Miss Jacquetta Hawkes turning aside to drag a Life Guard from his staid and implacable himself upon his drawn sword, thus to demonstrate her solidarity with the older and more "conventional" weapons.

But I am glad to report that no such denouement disturbed the measured rhythm of the march.

Up on to Nelson's plinth they all hoist themselves. Into the speeches they plunge. The big holiday crowd oranges itself comfortably in the sunshine. Now they won't have to pay to get into the Zoo, or stump up the fares for Hampton Court.

The dipper

Comus and his Rut have obligingly made their way the whole of 55 miles into Central London. What fun!

Canon Collins is now in full flood. This is the first time I have heard him in action, although heaven knows how many of his letters to various publications I have half-read.

It turns out that he is a compulsive M.C. He is the verbal mortar among the various bricks — and it is often hard to tell which is which.

Now the Rev. Mervyn Stockwood, Bishop of Southwark. He

effectively, it seemed to me, put paid to any enthusiasm there might be.

He read his speech — of all things; read it at considerable length. One phrase of his I treasured, however: "The Lord can look after Himself." Near me another pair of socks was slipped off; another young man who resembled a refugee from a King's-road down payment slipped his feet into the fountain.

The bobbies were at their most avuncular. A spattering of applause greeted the foreigners; the Swedes, the Danes, the Pakistanis, as they stumbled to the finishing line. A tiny boy pattered about with a suitably midget sign in his chubby fist: "Ban the Bomb."

The excuse

An elderly man with a resigned air trudged about trying — unsuccessfully — to sell newspapers. "We are against ALL forms of warfare, not just nuclear," he intoned, "Shame!" retorted a woman.

Who are these people? What do they really think they are doing? Have they used their heads? For too many of them, I thought are exhibitionists, show-offs.

Some of them are the sort of hairy horrors who think it intellectual not to wash more than once every three weeks.

A lot of them are the sort who promiscuously signed the Stockholm Peace Pledge — a blatant Communist-line trap — some years ago.

The British are a race of oocritics. And I suppose that eccentricity, even on this scale, and for such peculiar ends, can be excused on a sunny holiday.

But, all in all, I am glad that Easter only comes once a year.

Apollo will give airliners more room to fly in

'BRAIN' SOLVES SPACE TANGLE

APOLLO, a computer being built at Bracknell, Berks, is expected to make Atlantic flying safer. Often there are as many as 100 airliners over the North Atlantic, and traffic will get more congested as travel gets cheaper and quicker.

So the automatic "brain" is being built to help solve North Atlantic traffic problems. It has taken two years to develop, and it will be another year before it is installed at the Atlantic control centre at Prestwick.

Even then it will be used only on an experimental basis.

The first

Apollo, a Ferranti high-speed computer using transistors, is the first of its kind.

Under present Atlantic traffic regulations airliners are separated vertically by 1,000ft. or, for modern high-flying jets, 2,000ft. There have to be wide distances between them both laterally and in the line of flight.

Flight plans are filed with the controllers before the start of each trip, and radio contact is maintained with the aircraft when progress reports are flashed back.

NEWS IN THE AIR
by
JAMES STUART

Apollo has been designed to speed up the work of the controllers who now make out the progress strips for each aircraft themselves.

From the information fed into the computer it will print out the strips for each aircraft and give up-to-the-minute information on air traffic conditions.

The computer will also carry out calculations of the collision risks between any two aircraft.

It will be able to know, too, if any captain out over the

Atlantic is infringing the separation standards between his airliner and any other.

His own plane

More people are using airplanes for their own, travel in Britain.

I hear that comedian Stan Sennott is flying an American-built Cessna four-seater, which he bought second-hand for £3,000. Previously he owned a British Aviator.

Stan, who lives in Cardiff, wonders why other stage stars do not take up flying. "It's not really expensive," he says. "His car is large and heavy, and he finds it pays to fly from his home to theatre engagements all over the country."

The one drawback is the situation of airfields. It sometimes costs as much in taxis from the airfield to the theatre as to fly from Cardiff, he reports. —London Express Service.

WOMAN SENSE

LADY LUCK

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horoscope

MONDAY, MAY 2

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Before taking any drastic action with a younger person, remember that he has a right to live his own life.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Your loyalty to a friend may upset your pleasant relationship with a third person, but there is not much you can do about it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Try to avoid being distracted by a meddlesome friend from doing the things you feel must be done today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your nervous tension, brought about by circumstances beyond your control, is only a passing phase and you will soon be yourself again.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Your words of comfort will be a great help today to a person who is very unhappy about the loss of a dear friend.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): A young couple about to marry would be grateful for your advice, based on your own experience, on how best to use the modest means at their disposal for the establishment of a happy home.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A secret wish of yours will near realisation with the unexpected arrival of a relative from abroad.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): You will derive a great deal of satisfaction from having performed a difficult task well without resorting to outside help.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): Among your friends there are two

people who ought to meet each other, and you will do your good deed for the week by arranging such an encounter.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): An unreasonable demand on your time and energy should be turned down, as you have the impression that the person is too indolent to do the job himself.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): Avoid being complacent about your orderly way of life, but strive to accomplish the bigger and better things of which you are fully capable.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): A person born under Scorpio will enter your life just at the right time to help you with an important decision.

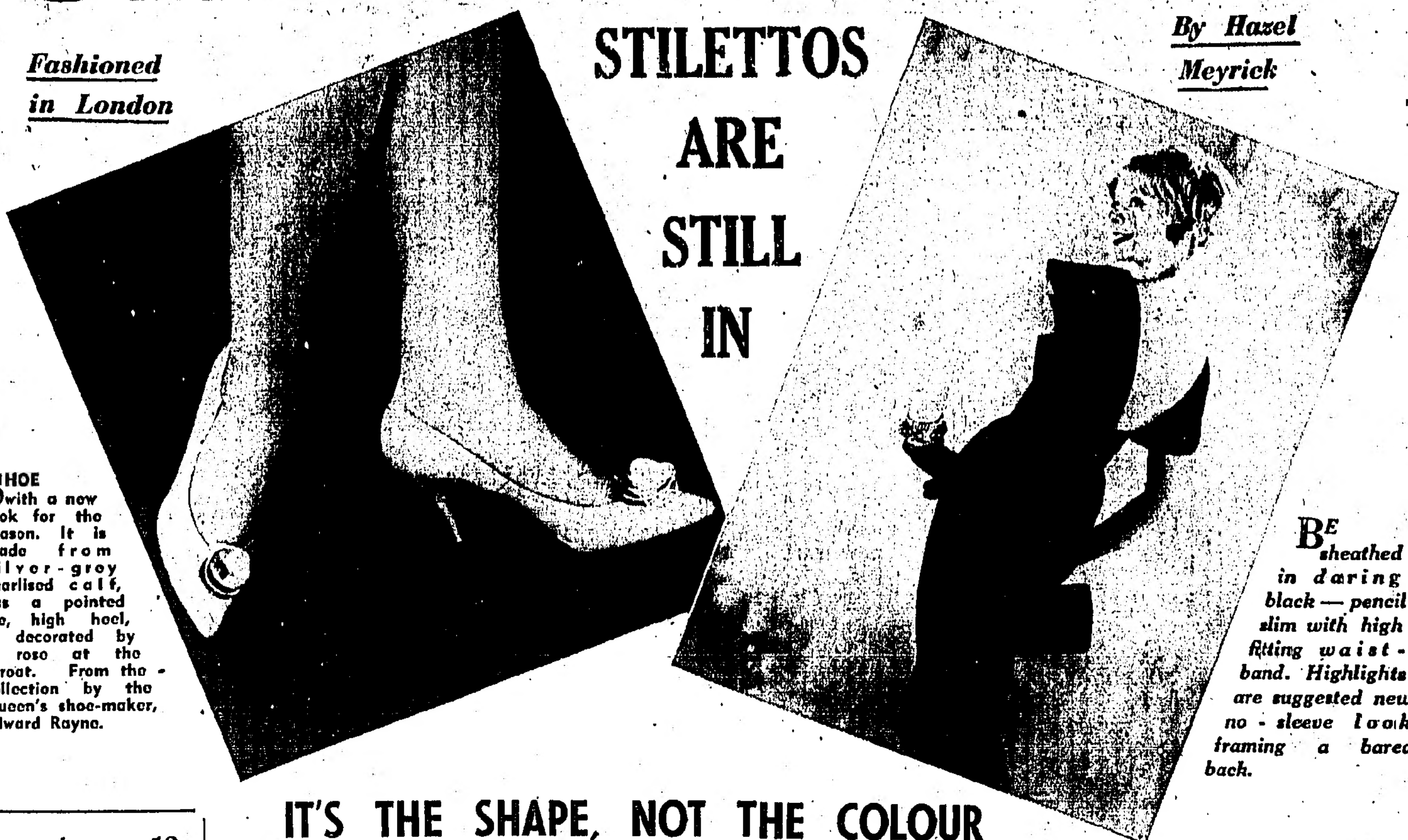
YOUR BIRTHDAY: If your birthday is this week, you will find a symbol of good fortune in a gift of a key-ring.

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SHOE

With a new look for the season, it is made from silver-grey pearlised calf, has a pointed toe, high heel, is decorated by a rose at the throat. From the collection by the Queen's shoe-maker, Edward Rayno.

**STILETTOS
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IT'S THE SHAPE, NOT THE COLOUR

WHAT'S the news about shoes?

This time, it's the shape, rather than the colour, that really counts when you are treating yourself to a new pair of pumps. Anything goes with summer clothes this year, even black. But there is only one classic permissible shape: Long and greyhound slim.

Despite ridicule from the men in our lives, despite the fact that it ruins a polished floor, trips you up, costs a great deal to repair, the stiletto heel is here to stay—for the time being at any rate.

Far from being shortened, the toe-cap of the newest shoe has

reached dangerous, dagger-like proportions, protruding an inch or so beyond your toes. These "winklepickers," as they're so aptly called, have become London's uniform fashion choice.

There is news about the patent shoe, particularly the smart black city shoe, with a bow trimming. It has set off a whole new fashion in accessories—the black patent satchel bag, patent-trimmed gloves and even patent buttons on your suit. For casual wear there are spectator shoes, part-patent part-black and white check-tweed, which go well with slacks and shirts.

Pearlised

There is news about pearlised pastels. Soft leather (aniline dyed so that if you scuff your shoes the colour won't rub off) is given a shimmering pearl-like finish which makes it an excellent proposition for day-to-evening wear.

Newest among the pearlised pastels is a pale pink, almost the shade of face powder. It is a

useful neutral to go with summer clothes and pale stockings, replaces beige as this year's all-purpose shoe.

White appears with a new, sophisticated silver sheen which turns it into a good choice for both winter and summer wear. New and more efficient cleaners take the worry out of white shoes, give you no excuse for letting them look dowdy.

Patterned

Strictly for fun, but designed to give a lift to a wardrobe of dull clothes are the patterned shoes—pumps in lively checked gingham, slippers spattered with roses, polka-dotted sandals.

The plain, high-heeled pump is still the top choice of the girl who has to count the cost carefully. But it is softened and decorated in many different ways, with miniature lacing at the throat for country wear, or tiny buttons slanted on one side for the city. But if you have slender, well-shaped feet, you can't do better than choose a

pair of perfectly plain well-cut pumps in the best quality leather you can afford.

Care needed

It pays to take good care of your shoes. Stout court shoes will last forever, but the delicately designed fashion shoe has a short life—unless you tend it like a hot-house plant.

Your shoe trees are probably not long enough to fit those dagger-toes but if you want your shoes to keep their figure stuff the points with newspaper each night, ramming it well in. It is fatal to wear stiletto heels one day longer than you should—the result is a bodged shoe repair, or a bill for a new pair of heels—so inspect your heels carefully every night to make sure they don't need mending.

If you are really heavy on shoes, never waste money on expensive models. Choose instead the cheapest shoes you can find, buy several pairs at once, and rest them frequently. You will save money that way.

Rupert and the Snowstorm—12



The flames look very alarming, and Rupert dangles wildly from side to side to avoid being burned until he gradually realises that he cannot keep it up. At length, nearly exhausted, he sinks down just as the sparks and flames disappear. "Why, I'm not even scorched!" he mutters. Rising in



some excitement he faces the Sorcerer. "That was wonderful," he cries. "Those flames didn't hurt a bit! My feet were wet and nearly frozen. Now they're warm and dry and lovely!" "Me know," says the Sorcerer. "That magic never fails!"

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CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Trick's On Glive

—O'Scowl Tells The Shadows Of O'Prank's Murkies—

By MAX TRELL

IT WAS when they reached the Old Oak in the middle of the park, that Knarf and Hanid heard the sound of laughing.

They knew it must be one of the Pixies. For the Pixies lived in O'Cheer Hall down at the bottom of the Old Oak, among the roots.

"I bet," said Knarf, "that Pixie O'Prank must have played a trick on someone!"

When Knarf and Hanid reached the Old Oak, the only one they could find was Pixie O'Scowl. He was sitting on a twig at the bottom of the tree, looking out gloomily from side to side. Sitting beside him (curiously enough) was Glive, the Snail.

Cheerful greeting

Knarf and Hanid greeted Pixie O'Scowl cheerfully. "Go away!" said Pixie O'Scowl rudely.

Knarf and Hanid also greeted Glive, the Snail.

In a way, Glive was even ruder than Pixie O'Scowl. He didn't even bother coming out of his house.

"Who was laughing just now?" Knarf asked Pixie O'Scowl.

Pixie O'Scowl didn't answer. In fact he got up and started to walk away, when Hanid reached

out and seized him between her thumb and forefinger (for he wasn't much larger than a match stick).

Won't let him go

"Come, dear," she said, "you mustn't be so rude. I'm not going to let you go until you tell us who was laughing."

"And why?" said Knarf.

So Hanid sat him down on the twig again and told him to begin.

"It's all got to do with Glive over here," said Pixie O'Scowl.

"What happened was that Pixie O'Prank met Glive early this morning."

"He did, indeed," said Glive, the Snail, looking out of his house for the first time.

"And what happened?" Knarf asked Pixie O'Scowl.

"What happened was this," said Pixie O'Scowl. "O'Prank spoke to Glive and asked him why he never went out of his house. He told Glive that it would do him good if he took a walk without his house. Just like most other People did."

Kept talking

"Now you have to understand," Pixie O'Scowl went on, "that Glive's house is his shell and never in his whole life has he ever thought of coming out of it. But O'Prank kept talking and talking and talking until finally Glive thought he might just as well see how it felt to take a walk without dragging his house with him."

"And that's just what that terrible Pixie wanted," said Glive, the Snail, as he looked out of his house for the second time. "The second I was out of my shell, Pixie O'Prank put it on his head and went running around shouting, 'Look at my new hat!'"

Won't leave again

"And while he was running around I was getting scratched by thorns and bitten by flies and stung by bees. I'll never leave my house again as long as I live!"

"That's the story," said Pixie

O'Scowl to Knarf and Hanid. "And that was Pixie O'Prank you heard laughing. He's always up to mischief, that one! A Pixie who will wear a Snail's shell for a hat will do anything!"

PARIS DATELINE

Shirtwaist Dresses Are For Summer

IN every kind of material from heavy printed silk to floating chiffon, and for every time of the day.

They all follow the same line—full, gathered skirts; wide waist-cinching belts; softly-blossomed bodies tailored battle-dress style, or with rounded, away-from-the-neck collars.

There are crisp, gingham shirtwaist dresses for holiday wear; tailored shirtwaisters in heavy silk or shantung for a summer in the city; ultra-pretty shirtwaisters in sheer organdie for summer evenings.

Yves St. Laurent showed it in white satin collared with white mink for the evening. Balmain showed it in spicy brown vicuna.

TAILORED Shirtwaister—for a summer in Paris. In pale blonde shantung. It has an ultra-wide belt, full, swinging skirt, and blossomed, battle-dress bodice.

FEMININE Shirtwaister—for a summer evening. In sheer forest green organdie over a foundation of faille, with a belt of contrasting pink satin.



USEFUL

ONE wonders whether the proud and anxious Mamas ready to launch their darling daughters in the 1960 season may not be a little disconcerted to find in their midst Judy Huxtable.

Green-eyed Judy is a deb with a difference. She has appeared in her first film (Piccadilly Third Stop) and made headlines wearing fishnet tights and mink. At 17, she knows all the answers.

"I used to have masses of complexes and everything, but I'm getting over that. I really wanted to go to art school in Rome, but Mummy said I ought to give coming out a try."

"It's ridiculous to think it has anything to do with marriage. The men are normally frightful—dreadful blase boys of 19 who never bother to pay you a compliment. And they're rotten dancers, really rotten. They don't think dancing matters and I hate their attitude. I don't drink or smoke, so good dance music just drives me mad."

"When you come out you make lots of girl-friends, though, who are much more important than men. They introduce you to fabulous people and they do last for ever."

"Marriage is as far from my thoughts as jumping over the moon. I hate this deb idea of getting married just because it's something new to do. I have old-fashioned ideas like staying married and marrying for love."

"Anyway, as it is, my life is complete and utter chaos. The telephone never stops—tea parties, sherry parties, cocktail parties, dinner parties, perhaps a night club. Sometimes a night club is necessary. Often, I feel like having a long bath and forgetting it all."

"Coming out is jolly useful publicity. I get fed up with people who are patronising about my career as a model. They think that just because you're a deb, you're doing it for kicks and don't want the money."

"This is simply not true. I spend a fantastic amount of money on clothes and things, and Mummy says I've got to do something—either modelling or a secretarial course or more films."

Maureen Cleave in London

"I don't think success has gone to my head—not that I've had much. People just don't mention it. Mind you there was a terrible fuss about those sexy pictures of me in the newspapers. I didn't sleep a wink with my parents storming all over the house. I suppose it was rather funny, really."

"I was a bit unhappy about it as first," he admitted. "There I was, up to my neck in a swamp in Tobago with this 300lb. snake (that's 21 stone) coiled round me! It was a young female Anacanda, 20 feet long, and pregnant—though they didn't realise this at the time. I was scared this might make it end-tempered, but it got quite fond of me during the two days' shooting, and just wound itself round me and put its head here," he patted his shoulder, "while I waded about."

"Of course I had to get scared the whole time, and it didn't take much acting I can tell you, old girl."

"We can see James and his snake for six whole minutes in the Disney version of The Swiss Family Robinson, to be released at Christmas, the most expensive British film ever made."

"Boggling with awe and admiration, I murmured something about stand-ins and his poor wife's nerves."

"We, no. I prefer to do the dangerous stuff myself," he said carefully. "I'm always heavily insured and they took every precaution. It was the last two days' shooting in the whole film."

—(London Express Service).

JACOBY BRIDGE

TODAY'S hand in one form or another has been appearing in bridge columns and books since people have been writing about the game.

It is still an interesting example of a false card and follows naturally upon the hand I wrote about recently.

South has to lose two diamonds and a club so his four spade contract will make if he can get out without the loss of a trump trick. His normal play will be to lead a low spade from dummy and finesse the jack. Then when he plays the ace he will drop East's king and everything will be hunky dory.

Now, suppose that West drops the nine under the jack. South

NORTH (D) 15			
♦ Q73			
♥ A K 8 6 4			
♦ K J 9			
WEST			
♠ 10 9 5		♥ K 2	
♥ 8 2		♦ Q 10 7 5	
♦ K 10 8 3		♠ A J 9 5	
♠ A 6 2		♥ 5 4 3	
SOUTH			
♠ A J 8 6 4			
♥ J 3			
♦ 7 4			
♠ Q 10 8 7			
East and West vulnerable			
North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦ K			

will put on his thinking cap. The hand will appear to have been either a singleton or a doubleton.

If it were a singleton South would be dead. If it were a doubleton it would have been the 10-9.

South goes back to dummy and leads the queen of trumps. East plays the king as he must and West's ten is there for the setting trick.

♦ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been:
North: 1♠ 2♠ 3♠ 4♠
East: 1♥ 2♥ 3♥ 4♥
South: 1♠ 2♠ 3♠ 4♠
West: 1♥ 2♥ 3♥ 4♥
You, South, hold:
♠ A 7 5 3 2 ♦ 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2
What do you do?
A—Bid four clubs. You have a good hand considering that you passed over two diamonds.

TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner continues with a bid of four spades. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

SOFTBALL REVIEW

IT WAS A YEAR OF UPSETS IN THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

By OLLY VAS

By far the greatest interest in the recently concluded 1959/60 softball season was centred on the Junior league where upset results were registered with regularity and even towards the end of the first-round matches it was difficult to forecast who would win the championship as underdogs kept on fouling up pre-game predictions.

Of course, we now know that Fred Diesta's P. I. Dodgers, who the Empire League's Shiled again, having just had the trophy on the sideboard after the 1955/56 playing season. Many were quick to apply the tag 'lucky' to the Filipinos.

Darts record

Wellington, May 1. An Otago darts player, Mr. J. Young, set up a world darts record by scoring 55,001 in 3 hours 2 minutes at Dunedin yesterday, breaking the previous record of 3 hours 50 minutes established by four British servicemen.—China Mail Special.

Japanese boxer KO's Thai champion

Tokyo, May 2. Fourth-ranking Japanese bantamweight Takeo Suzuki came from behind last night to knock out Thai bantamweight champion E.T.O. Sanong in the eighth round of a scheduled ten-round bout.

It was Sanong's first defeat in his last bout in Japan after a record of two draws and four knockouts wins.

Suzuki, 23, cast caution to the wind in the sixth round and unleashed a two-fisted attack that caught Sanong's jaw for a no-count knockdown.

AGGRESSIVE

Suzuki outboxed Sanong in the seventh, scoring with left and rights to the head.

The Japanese attacked aggressively at the outset of the eighth round. He drove Sanong against the ropes and battered the Thai champion with lefts and rights to the body and head.

Sanong dropped both hands and referee Kotayama gave Suzuki a knockdown. He counted until eight and then waved the two fighters in, but Sanong refused to leave his corner and Toyama counted him out in one minute, 21 seconds of the eighth round.

Sanong weighed in at 125 pounds to Suzuki's 125½.—UPI.

Boycott of 'Test' match reports

Karachi, May 1. Former Test captain, A. H. Kardar, secretary of the Pakistan Sports Council Board, today endorsed the decision of the English-language daily newspaper, Dawn, to boycott reports of the current South African tour of England.

In a statement printed in Dawn, he called on all Pakistan newspapers to follow suit. "A sport which denies representation on the basis of racial discrimination is no sport," he said.—China Mail Special.

but it was not merely good for one which saw them through the 16-games league with only two defeats chalked up against them.

The fact was that they, like any team with a real sense, merely capitalised on the errors of the opposition for the champions were extended to extra innings more than once and on five occasions scraped through by one-run margins.

There were nine teams in the league, the others being the Pandas who ended as runners-up with five losses, the Glants, the Cardinals and the Cheyennes who tied for fourth place, the Indians and the Stardusts who were on level terms in fifth spot, New Asia College who took the number six position and the Austers who were at the bottom.

EXCELLENT START

Eight games were played off in the first round and surprise after surprise followed. The Pandas got off to an excellent start with a number of consecutive victories over strong opposition but all the honours went to the Stardusts who in only their second game of the season, against the Pandas, pulled off a brilliant triple play with the bases loaded but, sad to say, they still lost the match.

Then the defending champions, the Cheyennes, took quite a lambasting from the Dodgers in the opening game of the Junior league with the Dodger MVP nominee Baker Hussain showing rare cool form on the pitching mound. The New Asia Collegians with Douglas Murray coaching showed the fans that they were out for experience only and another MVP candidate, a Japanese boy called Takashi, playing first base caught the eye with some fancy fielding and hitting right from the beginning.

MADE HISTORY

The champions' Hussain made Junior league history in pitching the first-ever no hit game just before the end of the year, trouncing the Cheyennes 11-1. Though the Indians later upset the Dodgers in an extra inning game Diesta's boys, playing steadily throughout the first round, assured themselves of the title early in January 1960.

The three Diesta brothers, especially Antonio in the outfield came up with some fine fielding performances but most of the credit must go to pitcher Baker Hussain who touched his finest form in years. So to say manager and coach Diesta Sr is retiring from the game but we hope some of the lady softballers whom he also handles will try to persuade him to carry on.

The Pandas under Y. S. Liang played well enough in the first few weeks to claim top spot in the league table and they were really unfortunate to drop a 10-11 decision to the Cheyennes in 9 innings of softball, to break a winning streak.

This Chinese team showed clearly that they could not cope with the hit and run tactics adopted by some of the opposing teams thrown enough to spot this weakness in the Pandas defence. The Pandas kept up with the champs but faded in the second round. Coach Liang should feel happy about their good showing. Ray Cordello's Glants produced the batting champion, Bosco Ozorio and the team depended a great deal on pitcher Jojo Marques. Some days this barrier was unbeatable. Others days he needed a range-finder to locate the strike zone.

The Glants showed keenness throughout but their playing form was affected by the unpredictable display of pitching put up by Marques. The Cardinals had pitching trouble too, right

from the cry of "Play Ball" for Sonny Machado could not be talked into showing up. They tried Gabriel Venpin and eventually Lal Dayaram. The Cards had quite a collection of players, all experienced too but somehow they could not find their true form till the second round when they made a really phenomenal return to playing form by which time it was too late to catch up with the league leaders. They had the satisfaction of beating the Dodgers 11-8 in a thrilling late-season match.

DOWNFALL

The Cheyennes played well below the form they are capable of. They had lanky Reggie Hamet pitching and signed up ex-Dodger Lester Wu and a promising infielder Carlos Gutierrez. Watching them play on a few occasions I came to the conclusion that they took the game much too light-heartedly and seemed not one bit interested in retaining the title won last year. It was this "take it easy" attitude which caused their downfall.

Without pitcher Gary Lucido the Indians were just another team. When Lucido left the Colons the Indians lost heart. In George Souza Jr they have a player likely to follow in his father's footsteps as one of the Colons' greatest soft-ballers for he pitched them to a Knockout championship. This was a team which never gave up the fight but one which, keenly felt, at a crucial stage in the season, the departure of a top-notch hurler when he was most needed.

The Stardusts, coached by Lionel Dayaram, topped the headlines more than once. The side were Mahadev Dayaram and cousin Moti Dayaram. Mahadev was steady on the pitching mound throughout the season and Moti, except for one sad day at the ball park, opened many an eye with his flawless fielding at shortstop. He is also an MVP nominee.

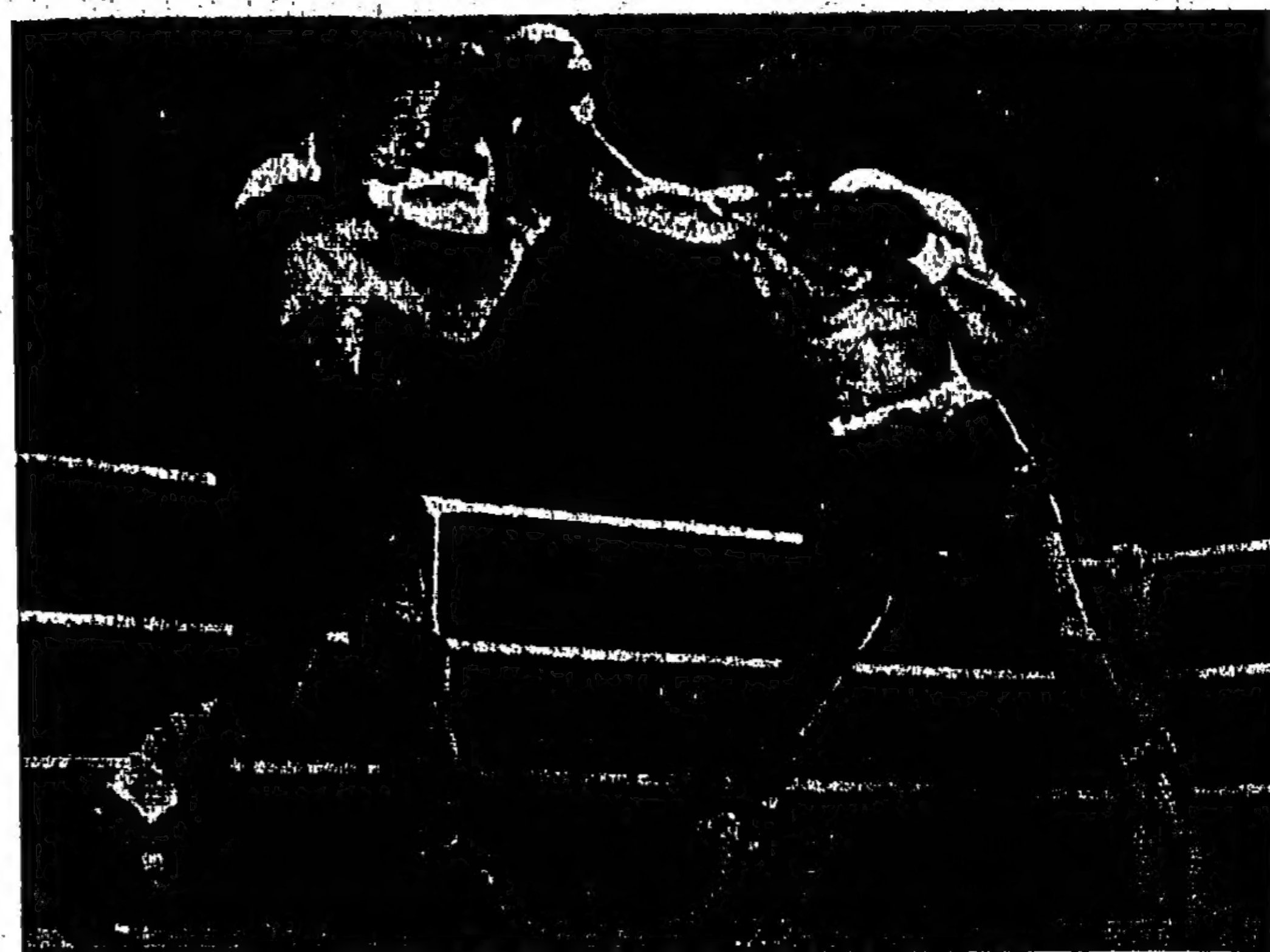
The heavy bat of centre-fielder Johnny Souza was much in evidence and I have pleasant memories of Souza's spectacular defensive play and hitting against the Glants, when trailing 1-8 the youngest side in Junior softball rolled to win 10-9 through Souza's timely home run and a dazzling diving catch in the last inning, snaring a ball off Gary Hamet's bat just over second base.

'THE UPSET SQUAD'

The Stardusts certainly lived up to the name of 'the upset squad' New Asia were great contenders in a year or two they will be a force to be reckoned with.

Doug Murray is to be complimented for the fine work he has done to build up this team. The Austers from Shatin were keen as mustard. Five of the sixteen games they played last only, five innings but they did not lose interest. They did not have a pitcher of any sort but in Mike Rowbottom they had a player who ended high up in the batting race. I cannot say enough for their spirit of sportsmanship throughout and the Cards will bear me out on that. They need much more playing experience if they are to get anywhere but the agencies of the service prevent their really settling down as a team.

Double-figure scores were the rule with six games going into extra time and seven going only five innings. Enthusiasm for the game was shown by all the teams and unexpected results kept us guessing the names of the eventual winners till midway in the second round. In short, an exciting playing season.



Belfast's Freddie G'roy, European and Empire bantamweight champion, saw his dreams of adding the world title to his list crumble away last week in Manchester, punched away by a clever Mexican who just makes the world rankings, Ignacio Pina. The Mexican, though probably outpunched by G'roy, was far quicker and much the better boxer. Picture shows G'roy covering up hurriedly as Pina cuffs him about the head with his right.—Express Photo.

'Judo ambassador' wins Japan championship

Tokyo, May 1. Twenty-three-year-old Akio Kaminaga, who returned recently after completing a government mission as a "Judo Ambassador" to Europe, today won this year's National Judo Championship.

U.S. Olympic hopefuls show top from

Philadelphia, May 1. John Thomas, Ray Norton and Bill Nieder headed the list of top United States track and field Olympic hopefuls who starred in the Penn and Drake relays.

The annual comparison of times in distances in the two relays, last Friday and Saturday produced a draw.

But more important from an Olympic standpoint were Thomas' world record leap in the high jump, Norton's record tying performance in the 200-meter run and Nieder's victory over Parry O'Brien in the shot put.

Thomas of Boston University cleared the bar at 7 feet 1½ inches in the Penn competition to better the world record of 7-1 set by Russian's Yuriy Sedykh. The Russian used special shoes since ruled illegal.

Norton reeled off 200 meters around one turn in 20.8 at Penn to tie the world record. Nieder, a U.S. army officer, tossed the 16-pound shot 63 feet 1½ inches in turning back O'Brien, a Californian-Davis at Drake. O'Brien, who holds the listed world record of 63-4, did 63-1½, Davis 61-9½. Nieder has pending for a world record a loss of 65-7.—AP.

Soccer win

Alexandria, May 1. The Brazilian touring football team defeated the United Arab Republic team 3-1 after leading 2-0 at halftime here today.

The Brazilians started their Middle East and European tour by whitewashing the United Arab Republic 5-0 at Cairo on April 29.—AP.

Furore over Australian Olympics decision

Melbourne, May 1. The Australian Olympic Federation's decision to send a team of 212 to the Rome Olympic Games has aroused a storm of criticism from local sportsmen and newspapers.

General opinion is that a team of that size will include many who are not good enough to wear an Australian uniform. Sharpest comment came from sports columnist Bruce Welch of the Melbourne Age, who said: "The AOF has given the green light for a glorious Roman holiday."

"The Federation's decision is one of the biggest travesties foisted on the Australian public by amateur sport. I believe about 80 of the competitors will not survive the first or second rounds of their events. It will be a shocking thing if they all get to Rome."

LITTLE CHANCE

Melbourne Herald commentator Ken Knox claimed in some sports such as boxing, wrestling, and fencing—the teams have been loaded with competitors who have little chance of success.

"At least 50 are unlikely to survive the first round," Knox said. The Melbourne sporting newspaper, Sporting Globe, called the AOF decision "ludicrous" and said 80 per cent of the team will be "passengers."

In linking the full team the Sporting Globe says: "This is the team, but the less said about the selection of it the better."—AP.

Gonzales wins pro title

Sydney, May 1. Pancho Gonzales (USA) won the world professional lawn tennis series which ended here today.

In his final match, he beat Ken Rosewall (Australia) 6-3, 9-7 to finish the series with 49 wins and eight defeats. Rosewall was runner-up with 32 wins and 23 defeats.

Pancho Gonzales (Ecuador) was next with 22-28, and 1959 Wimbledon champion Alex Olmedo (United States) finished last with 11-44.—Reuter.

World record

Warsaw, May 1. Poland's Nowicki and Gorski both broke the world rifle shooting record in a match in Szczecin (Stettin), Poland today.

Nowicki totalled 1151 points, and Gorski 1150, beating West German Zuhner's former record of 1149 points.

Gorski also broke the standing position rifle shooting record held by Germany's Kilger, bettering his score by one point with a total of 371 points.—AP.

Wolves have chance of achieving Cup and league double

London, May 1. Stan Cullis is the soccer manager who could see a 20th Century dream come true this week.

He's the man in charge of Wolverhampton Wanderers, a team still in line for the elusive English League and Cup double as the season winds into its last week.

The Wolves favourites to defeat Blackburn Rovers at Wembley Stadium in the cup final next Saturday, have completed their league programme, and still lead Burnley by one point.

Burnley has one more league match to play against Manchester City tomorrow.

Burnley must win that match to stop Wolves taking the league title for the third straight time.

A DOUBLE

A draw by Burnley would give Wolves the title. That would give Cullis and his men a chance of completing the League and Cup double—something that's not been done since Aston Villa did it in 1897.

Wolves' half-back Eddie Clamp, Bill Slater and Ron Flowers are the men to push Wolves into a cup final victory over Blackburn.

In addition the Wolves have a remarkable ability to fight back.

Barcelona knocked them out of the Cup on an aggregate score of 9-2—but that didn't upset the Wolves in their national programme.

It fired them to harder, more skilful play, result: the Wolves have a chance of pulling off the English Double.

Inside forward Peter Broadbent is the live wire in the Wolves' attack. Wolves have scored 108 goals against 67 in a completed league programme of 42 matches.

That record has put the Wolves at the top of the standings with 54 points.

UPSET POSSIBLE

Blackburn Rovers are sixth from the foot of the standings with 37 points. They've scored 53 goals against 70 in 42 league matches.

Even forwards like Derek Dougan and Bryan Douglas have failed to lift Blackburn up the standings.

But Blackburn is a team with a football gift—despite its lowly position. It's a team capable of causing an upset.

The Blackburn forwards can move quickly into open spaces—that's the way they could rattle the Wolves' defence.—AP.

Baseball results

New York, May 1. Following are the results of baseball matches played in the U.S. today:

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Pittsburgh ... 400-020-034-13-12-0
Cincinnati ... 101-000-000-2-6-2
Hobbs, Belmont (9), Eason (8) and S. Taylor, Neuman (8); Jackson, Barnes (7), Broglio (7), McDaniel (6), Garavito, Smith (5); W-Hobbs (2-1), L-Jackson (1-2).
Home runs—Pittsburgh, Clemente (4); Cincinnati, Spencer (5).

Chicago ... 001-000-100-5-11-1
St. Louis ... 100-110-010-4-6-0
Hobbs, Belmont (9), Eason (8) and S. Taylor, Neuman (8); Jackson, Barnes (7), Broglio (7), McDaniel (6), Garavito, Smith (5); W-Hobbs (2-1), L-Jackson (1-2).
Home runs—St. Louis, Spencer (5).

Philadelphia ... 100-000-003-4-12-1
New York ... 001-000-000-3-7-1
Hobbs, Belmont (9), Eason (8) and S. Taylor, Neuman (8); Jackson, Barnes (7), Broglio (7), McDaniel (6), Garavito, Smith (5); W-Hobbs (2-1), L-Jackson (1-2).
Home runs—Philadelphia, Clemente (4); New York, Spencer (5).

AMERICAN LEAGUE
(First Game)
Detroit ... 000-100-000-3-7-1
Chicago ... 002-013-000-6-10-1
Bunning, Semproch (6), Morgan (7), and Berberich, Shaw, Bailey (6) and Lollar; W-Bailey (1-0), L-Bunning (0-1).
Home runs—Detroit, Kaline (2); Chicago, Smith (2).

(Second Game)
Detroit ... 000-000-000-2-0-0
Chicago ... 010-201-010-5-7-1-0
Foyack, Sain (7), and Wilson; Donovan, Baumann (1), and Brown; W-Baumann (1-0), L-Foyack (1-1).

New York ... 001-000-000-5-11-1
Baltimore ... 000-000-100-4-12-2
Terry, Busch (9), and Lollar (1); Dittmar (4), James (5), Kipp (7), and Howard; Estrada and Ginsberg; W-Estrada (0-0), L-Ginsberg (1-3).
Home runs—New York, Howard (2).

(First Game)
Kansas City ... 000-010-010-4-10-0
Cleveland ... 000-000-100-4-6-0
Cleveland, Tipton (9), Rutyna (7), and Chitt; Hawkins and Nixon, W. Hawkins (10-3).
Home runs—Kansas City, Harzog (2); Cleveland (2); Cleveland, Phillips (2).

(Second Game)
Kansas City ... 100-000-000-1-2-1
Cleveland ... 000-000-000-2-3-1
Cleveland, Tipton (9), Rutyna (7), and Chitt; Hawkins and Nixon, W. Hawkins (10-3).
Home runs—Kansas City, Harzog (2); Cleveland (2); Cleveland, Phillips (2).

(Third Game)
Kansas City ... 100-000-000-1-2-1
Cleveland ... 000-000-000-2-3-1
Cleveland, Tipton (9), Rutyna (7), and Chitt; Hawkins and Nixon, W. Hawkins (10-3).
Home runs—Kansas City, Harzog (2); Cleveland (2); Cleveland, Phillips (2).

GERMANY'S 'MIRACLE' DAVIS CUP VICTORY

Hanover, May 1. West Germany eliminated Czechoslovakia by three victories to two in their European Zone Davis Cup encounter here today.

The West German youngsters pulled off the "miracle" when they won today's two singles.

The German champion Wolfgang Stuck easily beat Pavel Korda 6-4, 6-0, 6-1 in the third singles to make the score two-all and Christian Kunkke clinched the victory for Germany when he beat Jiri Javorski 6-3, 6-2, 6-4 in the final singles.

The German players, who were all born in 1939, were two down after Friday's first two singles. They secured the Czechoslovak lead 2-1 after winning Saturday's doubles and swept through today's singles to qualify for the second round.

BELGIUM WINS

Belgium eliminated Switzerland 3-0 in their European Zone Davis Cup encounter in Geneva today when Belgium's Jacky Brichman beat Switzerland's Heinz Grimm 6-1, 6-3, 6-0 in the last and deciding singles.

Earlier Switzerland's Paul Blondel had brought the score to two all when he beat Belgium's Jean Pierre Froment 3-6, 6-2, 6-4, 1-6, 7-5 in the third singles.

Belgium was now qualified to meet in the second round the winner of the Turkey-Brazil encounter.

WHITEWASHED

Sweden whitewashed South Africa in their European Zone Davis Cup encounter in Stockholm today when Sweden's Jan Erik Lundqvist and Ulf Schmidt won the two last singles in Stockholm today.

Lundqvist defeated South Africa's Albert Gertner 6-2, 6-8, 3-6, 6-4, 6-1 and Schmidt defeated South Africa's Kees Kooling 6-2, 6-8, 6-3, 6-2.

Sweden, who had already qualified for the second round of the European Zone Davis Cup yesterday when they took a 3-0 qualifying lead over South Africa, met Spain in the second round.

DENMARK UP

Yugoslavia met on honourable defeat when their tennis ace Panajotov defeated Denmark's Kari Nielsen 6-4, 6-2, 3-6, 2-6, 6-4, in the last match of their first round Davis Cup tennis encounter here today.

Denmark had already qualified for the second round when Joergen Ulrich beat Jovanovic 6-7, 6-3, 4-6, 6-0, 9-7, in the third singles match, this afternoon.

With a 3-2 victory Denmark now meets Austria in the second round.

ARGENTINA 5-0

Argentina eliminated Finland by 5-0 in their European Zone Davis Cup encounter in Helsinki today.

In the last two singles Argentine's Eduardo Sciarino defeated Finland's Sakari Saloh 7-5, 6-8, 6-0, 6-4, and Roberto Albano defeated Finland's Tapio Jolinen 6-3, 6-4, 6-3.

Argentina will meet France in the second round.

HOLLAND-NORWAY

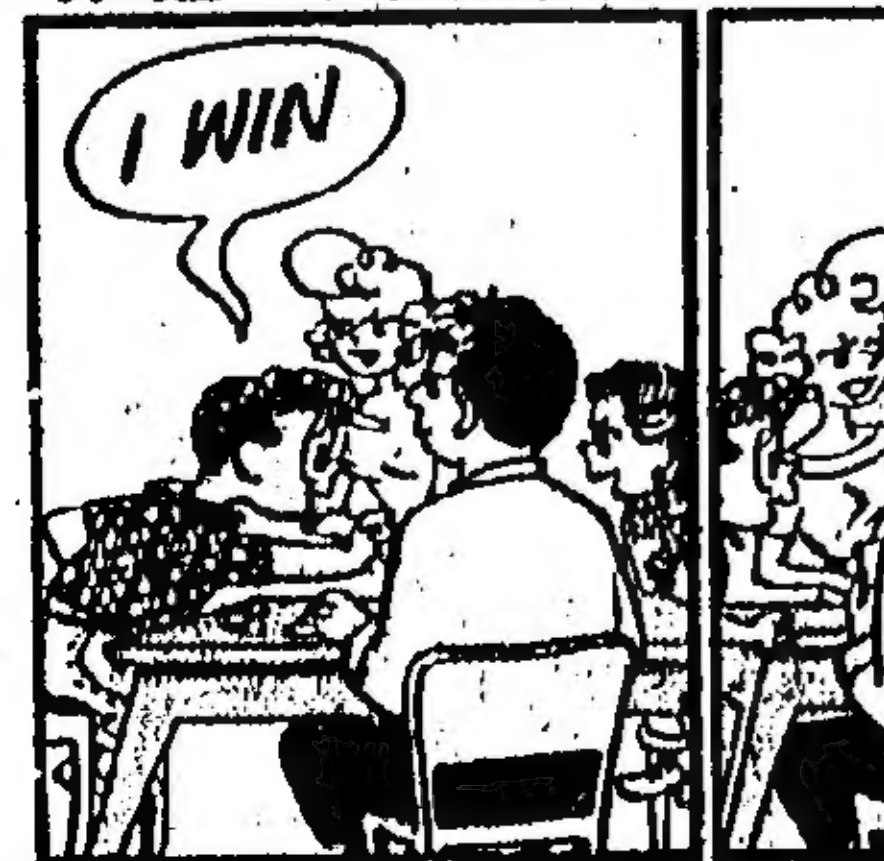
Holland eliminated Norway 3-2 in their European Zone Davis Cup encounter here today.

Norway's Thorvald Moe beat Holland's Maria 6-4, 6-0, 6-0 and Holland's Van Van Ryden beat Norway's Gunnar Sjodahl 6-2, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the two last singles matches.—AP.

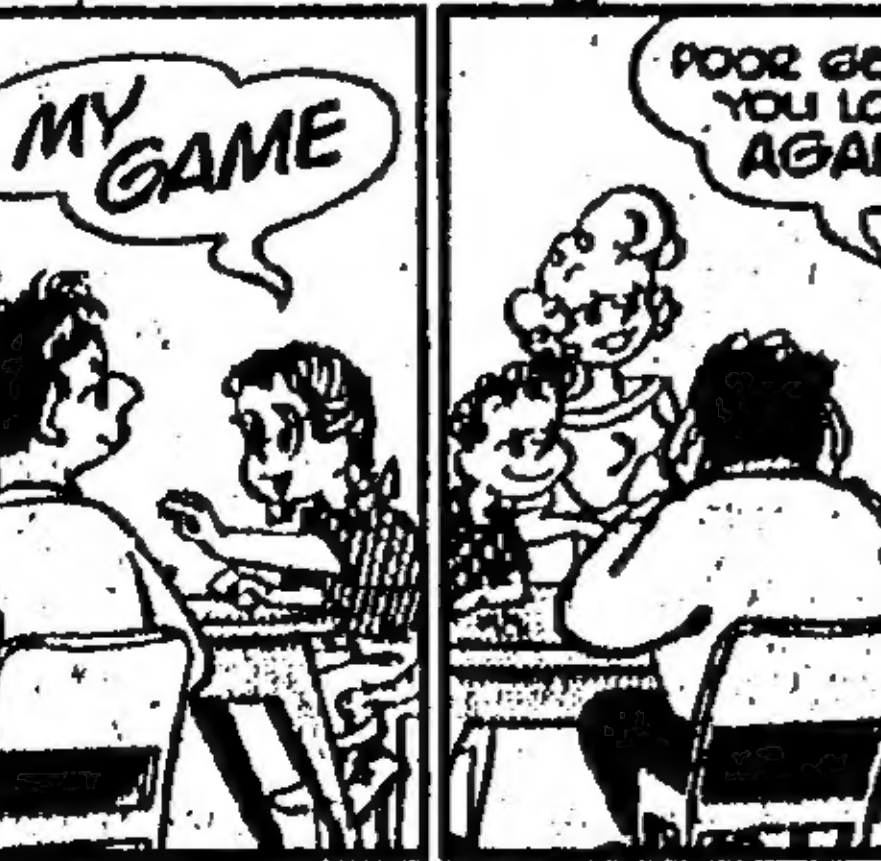
Bike race

Vigo, May 1. Antonio Barrutia of Spain won today's third stage of the Tour of Spain bike race. He covered the 200 kilometres (125 miles) from La Coruna in 6:14.04 and took the yellow jersey of overall leader of the race from his teammate Felipe Albaladejo.—AP.

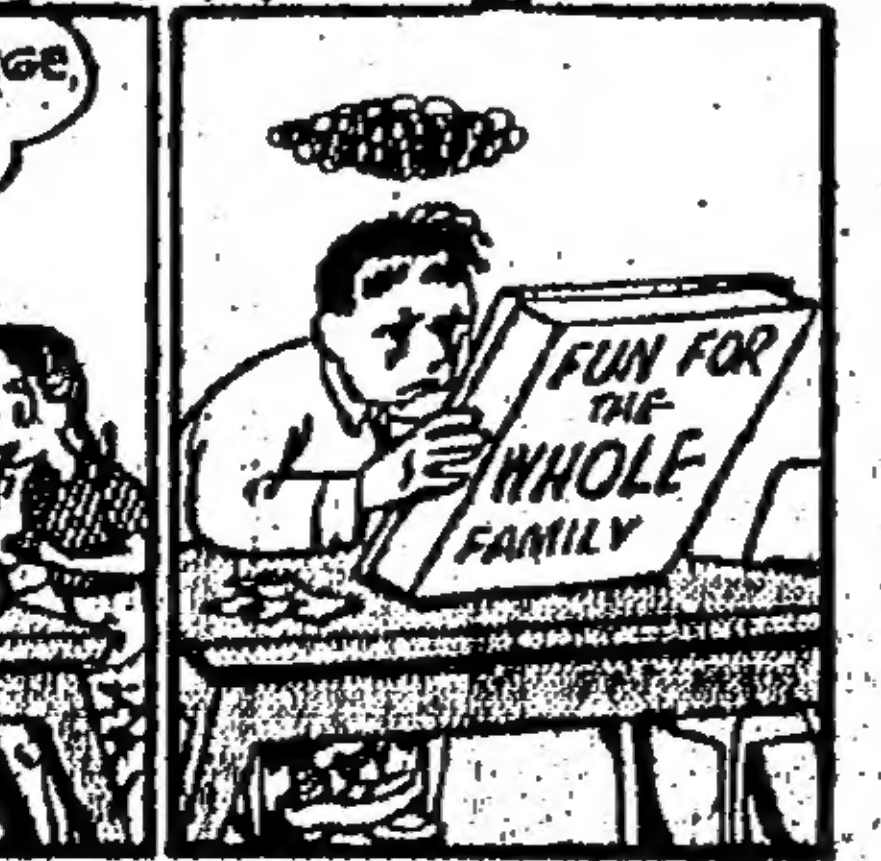
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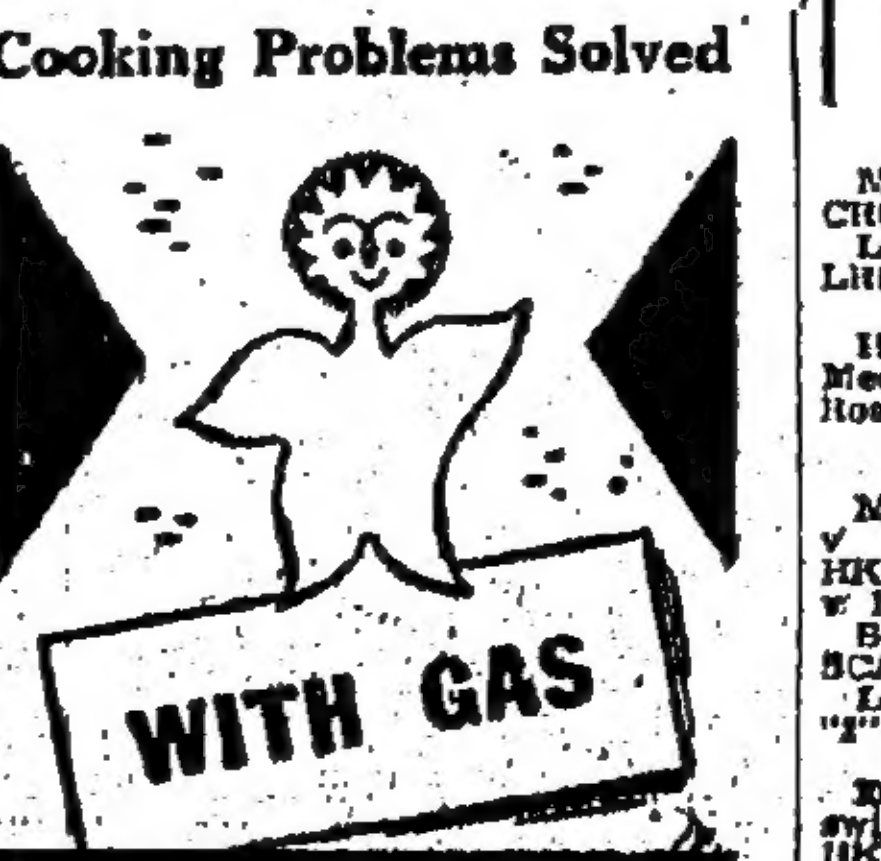
By Barry Appleby



COOKING PROBLEMS SOLVED



Sports Diary



Strange things happen at the Cup Final

By REX LOPEZ

Strange things happen at the Cup Final. Like the day a train load of City workers found themselves reluctantly watching the first Wembley final in 1923.

The men returning home from work had been caught in the greatest crush in history. Outside Wembley Station they had walked into the main flow of arriving fans. Helplessly bottled in they were swept into the ground.

That year more than a quarter of a million people had poured into the 100,000-capacity stadium just before kick off. Gates had been broken down, barriers twisted.

King George V, there to see Bolton Wanderers play West Ham, was advised to leave. But he refused.

As the number of injured passed the 1,000 mark, Wembley officials sent an urgent appeal to Scotland Yard for reinforcements.

NEAR MIRACLE

And then a near miracle happened.

A policeman on a white horse rode onto the hallowed turf. Unruffled amid the confusion and roaring chaos he backed the white charger into the crowd until the pitch was cleared.

The game started 40 minutes late. Bolton beat West Ham 2-0. But the ground was so congested that at half time the teams changed sides without taking a break for fear they might never get back if they left the field.

Now, every year, F.A. Secretary Sir Stanley Rous gets demands for Cup Final tickets from at least a dozen people who claim they rode the white horse that prevented what might have been the worst disaster in football history.

The man who did ride that horse, Police-constable George R. Scores, now 77, lives happily in retirement in his comfortable bungalow in Kent. A team of white horses couldn't drag him to Wembley again.

There is no end to the length some people will go to get Cup final tickets.

One Tyneside fan gave a ton of coal for a ticket to see the final between Newcastle United and Blackpool in 1951. A Blackpool supporter who offered a new set of car tyres found no takers.

There was the case of Thomas Etherington who in 1948, after trying all possible means to obtain a ticket, turned up at Wembley and in desperation snatched one from William Barker just as he was about to enter the stadium.

A policeman saw the incident and arrested Etherington. In court, Etherington pleaded guilty but told the magistrate that he intended paying the owner the ticket's face value. It cost him a £5 fine.

One man who completely conquered the ticket problem was Harry Sugarman, a 230-a-week Tottenham salesman.

Prince of the Galacrasers Sugarman went to Wembley every year from 1947 to 1958—never once buying a ticket. And what's more, in 1950, 1957 and 1958 he got himself photographed with the winning team.

Beats Olympic soccer team

Djakarta, May 1. A Djakarta soccer league team beat an Indian Olympic eleven 2-1 in a friendly match at Ikeda Stadium here yesterday. The Djakarta side led 1-0 at half-time.

The Indians, playing two matches yesterday, beat Indonesia's Olympic team 2-0 and thus qualified for the forthcoming Rome Olympics.—AP.



How did he do it? Sometimes he bounded over the turnstiles and darted into the stadium, leaving the vigilant attendants open-mouthed. Sometimes he donned his best suit, sported a fresh carnation on his lapel and strode in with directors and officials. Sometimes he passed himself as a newspaperman, or disguised himself as a first-aider.

But Sugarman's unbroken run of gatecrashing came to an end last year when his wife and son decided it was time he took them to see the Cup Final.

PLEASANT SURPRISE

In 1958 when Bolton beat Manchester United 2-0, a lucky fan made off with the ball.

Bolton's captain Nat Lott-house, who scored the winning goals, made a public appeal for the return of the priceless souvenir. He offered a pint of beer a week for life at his hotel in Bolton to whoever recovered the ball for him.

He got it back within 24 hours.

When Manchester United won the Cup in 1948 they came in for a pleasant surprise. Maurice Kingsley, head of a Manchester textile firm, took them out for a slap-up meal. Mr Kingsley could well afford it—he had just won £20,000 in bets.

But what of the Cup—object of this yearly battle?

Called the F.A. Challenge Cup, it cost about £50 when it was made 49 years ago. Yet it is treasured as if it were diamond-studded.

The club which wins it keeps it for a year. But if the trophy is lost or destroyed, they must pay the F.A. for a new one.

The Cup in use today is the third trophy since the competition was started in 1871-72.

The first was stolen from a shop in Birmingham in 1893 while Aston Villa were the holders.

The second was presented to Lord Kinnaird in 1911 on his completing 21 years as President of the F.A. The present Cup made at Bradford in 1911 was won first by Bradford City.

When Portsmouth brought off one of the biggest upsets in Cup history by beating Wolves 4-1 in 1939, it was agreed they should hold the trophy for the duration of the war.

It was stored in a bank vault for safety. But the bank got a direct hit during the blitz.

Fans and officials had already given up the Cup for lost, when Portsmouth manager Jack Tinn turned up with the trophy.

Acting on a premonition he had taken the Cup from the bank the night before the blitz and sat with it beneath the stairs of his home.

Later the Cup was loaned for an exhibition at Havant Park to raise funds for a local hospital. That night it was taken to the local police station for safe keeping.

The man who had asked the police to look after the Cup thoughtfully filled it up with beer. It took eleven pints.

When he returned to collect it next day the beer was untouched.

Then in 1959, when Nottingham Forest won the trophy, team manager Billy Walker, immediately phoned Scotland Yard and asked for police protection.

He refused to budge an inch with the Cup—unless a detective went with him.

LOCKED AWAY

The Cup was locked away in a safe at the Savoy Hotel, and next day was escorted by a Scotland Yard detective to St Pancras Station.

Had someone threatened to steal the precious trophy? "No," said Walker. "It just makes me nervous."

He added: "I still remember the last time I had charge of the Cup with Sheffield Wednesday in 1953."

"I was so scared I kept it under the bed all night with an Alsatian guarding it."

Then, there was the moving message that reached Arsenal's manager George Allison as his team was celebrating its Cup victory in 1936.

It had come from a little boy, lying dangerously ill in hospital. His one great wish was to see the Cup.

Allison didn't hesitate for a second.

He emptied the remains of the celebration champagne, had the trophy polished—and made off to the hospital with the Cup.

A few days later a hospital sister phoned him to say the boy had proved the finest tonic the boy could have had. He had brightened up enormously. Not long afterwards the boy recovered.

During the broadcast of the Cup Final in 1938, Commander Tom Woodroffe, BBC star sports commentator, bit off more than he could chew.

It had been a tight game. Preston against Huddersfield. As the seconds ticked towards the final whistle in the scoreless match, Woodroffe promised over the air: "If they score now I'll eat my hat."

ATE HAT

And that night, in front of the television cameras, Woodroffe ate a hat made of sponge cake, sugar icing and pastry.

The most imposing feature of the Cup Final is perhaps the community singing. One hundred thousand people rendering "Abide with me."

Some are sickened by the spectacle. Others see it as a moving demonstration of faith.

To Marcelino-Elco it seemed like a good experiment.

They went to Wembley in 1938 with recording instruments. Noise was their objective. To record it in phon units of sound.

Throughout the game the volume of noise was maintained at a steady 85 phons, shooting up to 105 when goals were scored.

The peak—a deafening 112 phons—was reached when a policeman tripped over another policeman while chasing the ball.—London Express Service.

Football news from other lands

By ARCHIE QUICK

Halden FC in Norway have acquired a police "Buck Maria" van and when after a match the situation looks ugly the players board the car and are driven away in safety behind barred windows of unbreakable glass and with the siren sounding!

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Argentinian Angelillo, who plays for Internazionale-Milan, discovered after a match with Palermo that his car had been stolen.

Later he received a telephone call from the thief, who said he was a club supporter, and as Angelillo had been in good form that day he had decided to return the purloined vehicle. And he did!

★

The Russian FA have appointed a panel of nine coaches to prepare the national side for the 1962 World Cup games.

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In Spain only three clubs have no foreign players on their books—Atletico Bilbao, Pamplona Osasuna and San Sebastian Real Sociedad.

Bilbao go one step further and include only Spaniards. Real Madrid, Barcelona and Atletico Madrid have nine foreigners each.

★

The Bank of Spain has expressed its pleasure that the Real Madrid club has returned from overseas tours in the last nine months with US\$290,000.

★

The great Hungarian inside-forward and captain, Ferenc Puskas, has announced that when he retires he will found and open a Sports University, with internationals as coaches, in Southern Sweden.

TOT OF 4ft. 10in. IS YOUNGEST WATER BABE

She's tops in high society at thirteen

By PAT BESFORD

Margaret Austen, a little girl who is crazy about heights, has shot to the top of her favourite sport, diving.

London, May 1.

Margaret, who lives at Kenton, Middlesex, has been picked to dive for Britain against East Germany in Leipzig on June 11 and 12.

This 4ft 10in "tot" will compete from the ten-metre high board—seven times her own height. And she is just two months past her 13th birthday, which means she is the youngest to represent Britain in a swimming or diving team.

Brian Phelps, just 16, was a month and two days older than Margaret when he was first selected for Britain.

Margaret, who once wanted to be a circus trapeze artist and later a parachutist, has settled for diving, so long as it is off the high board. She won't look at the low springboard or three-metre competitions.

I phoned Margaret with the news of her selection. A little voice said "Oh!"... then there was a breathless hush, then "Oh!—that's smashing!"

ONLY NINE

Her father, Mr Leslie Austen, is secretary of the Middlesex Diving Committee, but he has nothing to do with Margaret's diving. He reminded me that I was responsible for Margaret joining her first diving club, the Metropolitan, five years ago.

A TRAPEZE

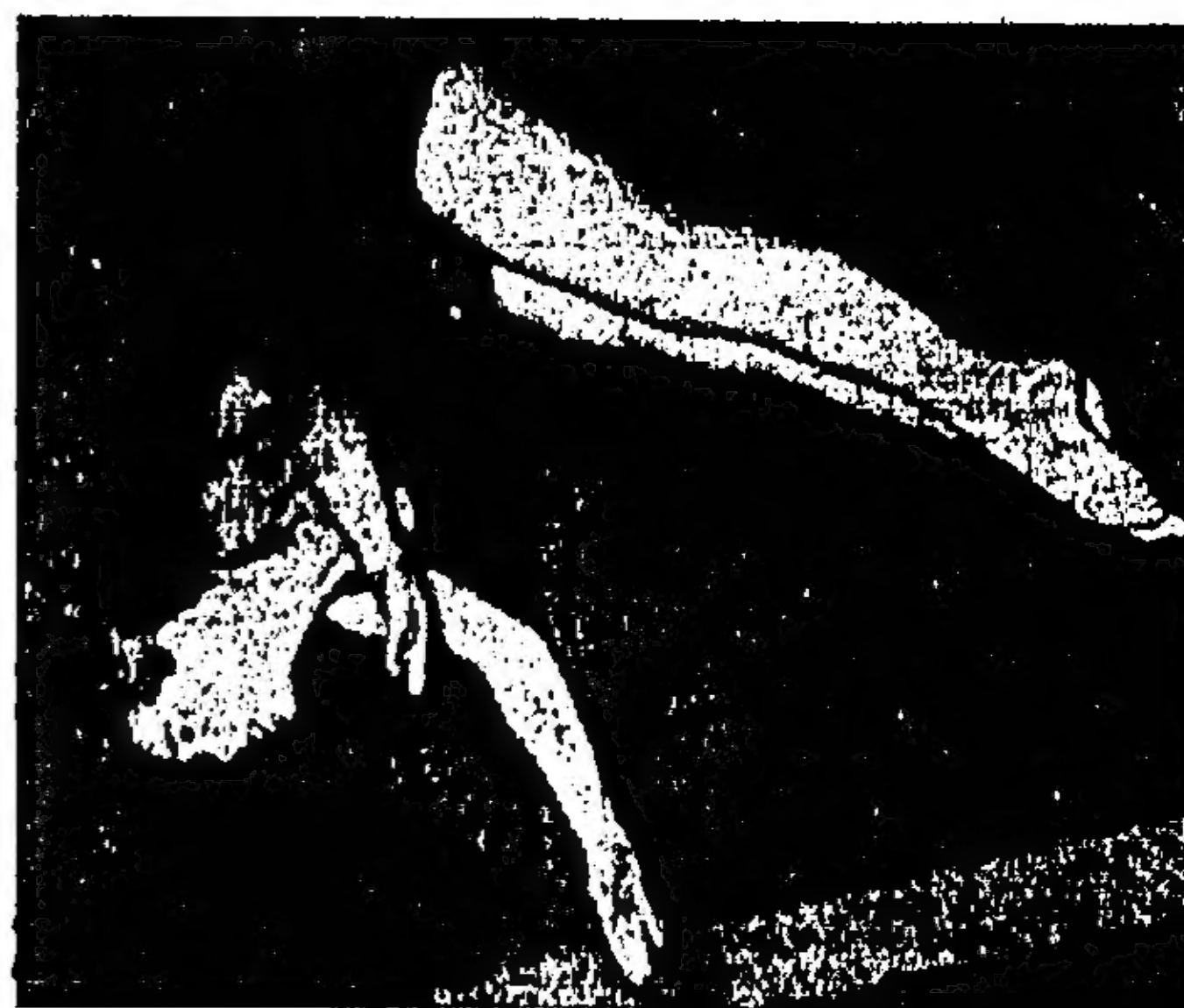
She was only nine when she first went off the ten-metre

Grand Prix

Sao Paulo, May 1. Farwell, a Brazil horse, won the Sao Paulo Grand Prix today. Hyperio was second and Zullo third.—AP.



She's just 13—but Margaret Austen could be in Britain's team for the Olympics. See her (below) complete a forward pike dive and you get the idea of her talent.



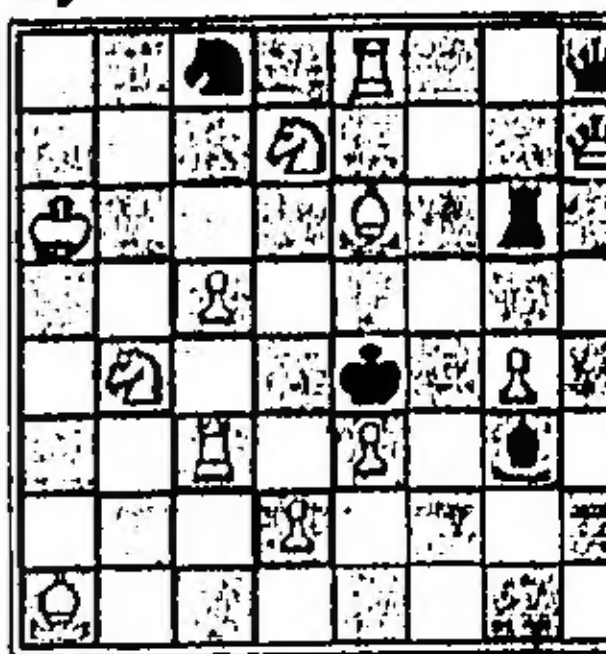
New bantamweight champion of PI

Manila, May 1. Young Aquino last night won a 12-round unanimous decision over Al Asuncion to claim the bantamweight championship of the Philippines.

Aquino weighed 116½ pounds. The lone knockdown of the fight came in the fifth round when Aquino caught the former bantamweight king with a left hook to the jaw for a one-count.

Hard-hitting Aquino had substituted for Villena Villar after the champion relinquished his title for reasons of "poor health."—AP.

CHESS by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a problem by O. Mansfield (Chess Life, 1952). White to play and mate in two moves.

London Express Service.



As each year passes, the work of the Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association shows a steady upward trend. Programmes being carried out—preventive and curative—and the good results obtaining are contributing widely to the never-ceasing campaign which the Association is waging against the greatest enemy to good health in the Colony today.

Very much more work still remains to be done however—more hospital beds are, for instance, urgently required. The extent of the Association's activities is dependent on the support given by the public of Hong Kong.

During the month of May a special appeal is being made to YOU to donate generously and so help in the efforts that are being exerted to control tuberculosis in the Colony.

Cheques should be crossed and made payable to: "The Hong Kong Anti-Tuberculosis Association" and forwarded either to Lowe, Bingham & Matthews, Alexandra House, or to this Newspaper.

Four D. Jones BY MADDOCKS

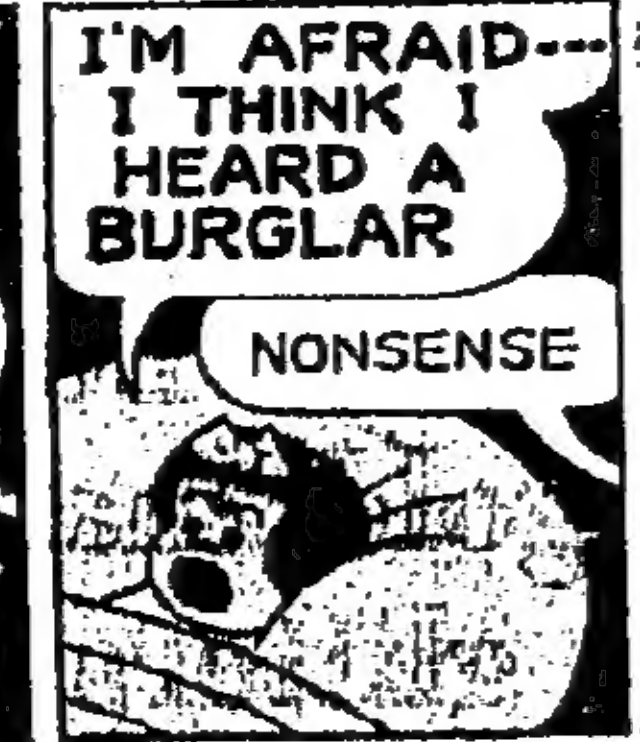


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Lantao murder trial



**Mrs Burgess visits
Family Welfare
Society centre**

Mrs C. B. Burgess, wife of the Officer Administering the Government, visited the Hong-kong Family Welfare Society centre in Wan-chai this morning.

She was met on arrival by Mrs J. L. Marden, Chairman of the Flag Day Appeal Committee; Mrs Kwok Chan, and Mrs T. W. Wheeler, Secretary of the Society.

In the Centre, Mrs Burgess watched Miss Tsao Hsueh-fen interview a mother at the Family Welfare Society centre this morning. The picture also shows on the right of Mrs Burgess, Mrs Wheeler, Mrs Marden and Mrs Kwok Chan. — China Mail Photo.

AUSTRALIAN CRUISE LINER IN HK

The 11,004-ton Australian cruise liner *Kanlamba* arrived this morning with 319 tourists from Japan in the course of a 44-day round trip to the East.

Tours on the island, the New Territories and in the harbour have been arranged for the passengers today and tomorrow.

The liner will leave on her homeward voyage via New Guinea at noon on Wednesday. She will visit Hong-kong again on a similar tour in September.

Kaifongs told of the danger of kites

Airport officials took eight representatives of Kowloon kaifong association on a tour of Kai Tak airport this morning to explain the danger of kite-flying to aeroplanes.

They were taken to the Control Tower, to the tarmac and to the landing apron by Mr J. E. Pickering, Chief Air-traffic Controller, Kai Tak.

Following that, they were taken on board an aircraft to the pilot compartment where it was explained to them what a pilot would have to do to avoid a kite if he was about to land.

The Kaifong representatives have all agreed that kite-flying is dangerous to aircraft and have decided to begin a campaign of education to discourage children from flying kites in prohibited areas.

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WENT TO WRONG COURT

Lau Chi-kin, whose \$1,000 bail was cancelled for failing to appear in court last Saturday, had his bail restored and a warrant for his arrest cancelled when he appeared before Mr A. J. Sangulotti at Central Court this morning.

Lau, a 66-year-old dentist of 322 Nathan Road, first floor, failed to attend court on Saturday to answer a charge of "covering an unregistered person to practise dentistry."

Mr Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr S. N. Quinn, of Brutton and Co., appeared for Lau.

Mr Lo told His Worship that his client lives in Kowloon, and on Saturday, he went to Kowloon Magistrate's Court, waiting for the case to come up.

He did not hear his name called.

A policeman told Lau that the case might be at Central Court.

When he reached Central Court, he knew that the case was finished, and that a warrant was issued for his arrest.

Mr Lo said his client saw his solicitor, who advised him to surrender himself to the police, which he did.

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Sequel to death of girl's chaperon

A 53-year-old woman, who acted as chaperon at her niece's house on Lantao a few days after the Chinese New Year, was found dead in the house during the night. It was stated at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

On trial is a 21-year-old factory worker, Tang Lai-hing, who denies a charge of murdering Leung Mui-chai, 53, on January 31.

The prosecution alleged that Tang, who was a visitor had been allowed to stay in the house at his request.

Mr D. E. Remedios, Crown Counsel, said the accused was the adopted grandson of an elderly couple in Ba Mei Village, Lantao, and had known a 26-year-old woman, Tang Yau-kam, since childhood days.

Unexpected

The accused left his grandmother, Mok Tai, a few years ago to work in Kowloon, and on January 30, three days after the Chinese New Year, he unexpectedly appeared at the house of Tang Yau-kam. There he had a meal with Tang's family and other friends, and stayed on the first floor while Tang and the young girl lived on the ground floor, Mrs Remedios said.

After repeated requests the accused was allowed to stay on the first floor of the house. The deceased was invited to act as chaperon that night, and stayed on the first floor while Tang and the young girl lived on the ground floor, Mrs Remedios said.

"Tang Yau-kam will testify that she was awakened by a loud bang from the first floor, she also heard screaming, and that lasted for some time," Crown Counsel said.

No answer

"She called her aunt several times but received no answer. She then flashed a torch. When she looked up and saw the accused standing at the top of the staircase with a fierce look on his face. She was frightened and left the house, locking the door from the outside," Mr Remedios said.

Tang returned later with deceased's brother, Leung Hoi. "There something happened and as a result she ran away again shouting 'Save Life' many times," Mr Remedios said.

Villagers who heard the shouts came to her help but when they arrived at the house, they found the accused gone.

The deceased was found lying on the first floor and did not respond to calls though she was then still alive. She was found dead when she arrived at the Tai O Dispensary about 4 p.m. on January 31.

A policeman later found the accused at Silver Mine Bay which was on the other side of the Lantao Island, Mr Remedios said.

Hearing before Mr Justice C. W. Rees is continuing.

Mr R. W. S. Winter, instructed by Messrs Brutton and Co.

Macao Army chief promoted

Macao, May 1.
The Commander (in Chief) of Macao land forces, Lieutenant Colonel A. F. Pimentel da Costa, was promoted to the rank of a full Colonel.

Colonel Costa is due for reassignment and is leaving here shortly for Lisbon.—AFP

Gold charge

Leung Tung-hai, 48, of 235 Queen's Road West, 8th floor, accused of importing gold from Macao, was remanded until tomorrow by Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Central Court this morning. No plea was taken.



(Left to right) Mr Crozier, Bishop Hall, Dean Till, Mr Hatt.

dear sir

Football pools

There has been much talk about Football Pools in Hong-kong but quite apart from whether they are right or wrong, whether they will corrupt youth or not or whether they will encourage people who have little money to gamble or not, one point that puzzles me is this:

Under the gambling ordinance as it stands I understand this form of organisation is forbidden. Yet I notice that Asian Football Pools Ltd makes no secret of its existence whatever. Its Chairman and Managing Director have taken residence already. They have appointed Chinese directors who are now doing the rounds arranging agencies. They have registered offices and unless my eyes deceive me, they have prominently established themselves in the columns of the press with several items of publicity, the most spectacular of which was the controversial invitation of Manchester United football team to Hongkong which your most worthy sporting secretary, Mr Macleish, justifiably took to task on Saturday.

But I wonder from the point of view of the Government has introduced that it intends to introduce amending legislation to permit Football Pools to operate — another arbitrary decision, by the way, taken this time without even consulting the Legislative Council who I believe are now in arms against the decision — but since the necessary legislation has not yet been introduced, and since football pools are still illegal in the Colony, how can the legal existence of the company be tolerated, even if it is only temporary to start as soon as the legislation has been passed? Would it not have been better for Government to remind Asian Pools that legislation must precede even the formal establishment of the company and its preparatory activities?

PUZZLED.

Exploited people

Approves your Friday leader and in view of some of the rather disturbing thoughts I have had on hearing and seeing what happens to so many of the underprivileged and refugees because of "swamped labour" I feel perhaps all is not known sufficiently.

A friend of mine, a journalist from Taiwan was visiting around this week and gave me these facts, there are others like them. One man doing embroidery for blouses, quite close work, is paid 15 CENTS a piece, the most he can do in a day is THREE and most people do less. .45 cents for a whole hard days work, of close embroidery.

Another case of making of plastic flowers and women was making a stem flower, ten flowers go to one stem, price paid to her 10 cents. . . again I gather that three is outstanding and most people working long hours only make two. There are many such cases.

I feel that if one could find out who the employers of such people are it would be a social effort to expose the racketeers. I feel very strongly that knowing the prices charged for blouses, someone is making a mighty high profit even at the cheap rates.

One feels that until more people can earn a living wage we will not get very far.

Noisy ferries

It is indeed very interesting how a woman could be fined \$10 then later cautioned, because her cock (which crows nature only) moves every morning beginning at 5.10 a.m. Thus the noisy, peaceful sleep of the policeman.

Fortunately, it was a cock, and if it was her pet dog or cat, how could she dispose of it, by selling or donating? (She ate her cock).

New Dean for St John's Cathedral arrives

The Very Rev. Barry Till, now Dean of St John's Cathedral, arrived in the rms Carthage this morning from England to take up his post.

Mr Till was formerly Dean of Jesus College, Cambridge. He will be installed by Bishop R. O. Hall at a service at the Cathedral on May 15.

Mr Till's family will arrive here by air on Wednesday. Bishop Hall, Mr D. J. S. Crozier, Director of Education, Mr Brian Hart, Secretary of the Cathedral Council, the Rev. J. W. Foster, Chaplain of the Cathedral, were among those who went on board to greet the new Dean.

Plan for issue of new ID cards

Negotiations have been going on for several days between the Registration of Persons Office and various Kaifong Associations all over the Colony for the establishment of a sub-bureau to enable residents to exchange old ID cards for new ones.

Residents will change their old cards for new ones from June 1.

The Registration of Persons Office head office in Causeway Bay and the sub-bureau at Un Chau Street, Shamshuipo, would not be able to cope with such a Colony-wide process alone.

Contacted yesterday were Kaifong Associations at Kennedy Town, North Point, Kowloon City, and Mong Kok.

Mr R. A. Bates, Commissioner of Registration, will give a talk at the forthcoming joint meeting of Kaifong leaders to explain the policy and procedure for the change of identity cards.

Big moths

I enclose two photos (above) of two different Moths which were caught on April 19, 1960, they are approximately 8 1/2 inches from wing tip to wing tip. Free Gift of the same will be given to any one who is interested in them.

Any one interested in obtaining the moths can have them for nothing. Contact RSM Richardson at the address below: R.K. Chinese Trg. Unit, Lyman Bldg., Hongkong. Tel: 5561 Lyman Bldg. J. W. H. RICHARDSON

Commons debate

May I be permitted to refer to a part of Mr E. Thornton's speech, as reported in your Late Edition on Friday last. I quote—

"The Mountain Lead Mines case called into serious question the Attorney-General's Department."

Mr Thornton said that in Hongkong there were serious suggestions that the man who should have been charged was not proceeded against through powerful pressure on the Attorney-General's Dept.

One does not have to use "Lancashire Spectacles" to see and understand the full import of that statement.

Is it not incumbent on the Attorney-General to prove openly the falsity of this most serious charge?

In fairness to the Public and to the Officers in his Department, is it not his duty to reply?

C. N. S. BURNS.

Criminal "at the crossroads"

given a break

A man who "had reached the crossroads" of his criminal career was placed under the supervision of a probation officer for three years instead of being sent to jail.

Judge A. A. Huggins said at Kowloon district Court this morning:—

"The police had submitted the risk I am taking in you, I hope you are not going to let me down. It is now up to you."

The man, 20-year-old Wong Wing-hong, who had admitted last week his unsuccessful attempt to pick the pocket of a man in Kowloon early in April was told by Judge Huggins that for the next 36 months he must reside with his cousin and on no condition must he move away without permission of the court.

He must also submit to periodic visits and interviews by a probation officer.

Wong has such a long police record that when he first came before the court last week, the Judge wondered whether he would spend the rest of his life in jail.

It was because of his long record that Judge Huggins directed that a probation officer's report be made by him.

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From the Files
**25
years
AGO**
May, 1935

Two cases of child selling came before Mr J. H. B. Lee at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday, no fewer than six Chinese being involved.

Evidence was given by Inspector K. W. Andrew of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs that the parents of a 18 month old boy sold the child for \$180, the father receiving \$130 and the mother the balance.

Mr Andrew told of another case where a girl aged six weeks had been sold for \$1. Both transactions were made at the same house in Canton Road and Inspector Andrew said it seemed to him that a syndicate was using the address as a clearing house for buying and selling children.

Fines ranging from \$100 to \$1,000 were imposed.

FROM the SCM Post's 25 Years Ago column: "It would be interesting to know exactly how many Europeans have 'disappeared' during, say, the last six years, as well as what special efforts the police have or are still putting forth to throw a lurid light upon these appalling disappearances in a British Colony."

"That the Colony until quite recently was fairly overrun by ravenous male and female wolves in sheep's clothing—vicious, degraded and most dangerous parasites—is well known, and the residents of this portion of His Majesty's dominions have, I believe, to thank the Honourable Colonial Secretary for the fairly clean sweep he recently made of the loathsome scum of creation that for a very long time found in Hongkong a happy hunting ground."

"Yet what has been accomplished in this direction of ridding the colony of professional European card-sharps, thugs, gamblers, and villains of both sexes, of the deepest dye, has probably not rendered us secure against further invasion by so insidious a foe."

"What has happened—and no doubt a good deal has occurred from time to time seeing that the parasites in question are of a class that sticks at nothing in order to satisfy their greed of gain—may be repeated; and it therefore would seem to be the part of prudence to take steps to secure effective control over an evil that can never be wholly eradicated from this or any other part of the world."